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DECEMBER

13 For. Y. Lecture: 'Social Observations,' 9
13 Duchess of Kent's birthday (1906)

Coming Events

DECEMBER

14 S.L.H.A. Tea Dance, Ciro's
14 Theosophical Society, 75 Jessfield Rd., Public Lecture, 6
15 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
15 Royal Asiatic Society Meeting
15 'The Mascot,' music by E. Odran, Russian Light Opera, Lyceum, 8.45
15 For. Y. Debate: 'Chinese Morals and Movies,' 9
16 Shai. Dialect Club, Foreign Y, 6
16 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
16 Shai. Reel Club, Informal Dance
16 'Goldmarie und Pechmarie,' German A.D.C., Lyceum, 9
17 'Goldmarie und Pechmarie,' German A.D.C., Lyceum, 3
17 S'hai Rowing Club Jubilee Dance
17 Heidelberg Christmas Prize Draw, 8
17 'The Mascot,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
18 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15
18 Cathedral Carol Service, 6
18 'The Mascot,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45
20 Second Advent Meeting, The Hut, 495 Yu Yuen Road, 8
20 For. Y. Lecture: 'Diet and Health,' 9
21 Cathedral Carol Service, 5.45
21 French A.D.C., 'Ruy Blas 38', Lyc., 9
21 19th Annual Hanuccah Ball, 9.30
22 Cathedral School for Boys, Speech Day, Masonic Hall at 5.30.
22 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
22 For. Y. Debate: 'Enslaved Women,' 9
23 Shai. Dialect Club, Foreign Y, 6
23 For. Y. 'Hour of Music,' 6
23 Gaul's Oratorio 'Holy City,' 250 voices. Conductor: Prof. Chao Mei-pa, Community Church, 8
24 Gaul's Oratorio 'Holy City,' 250 voices, Community Church, 3
26 Charity Soccer Match, Canidrome, Kick-off 2.45
27 For. Y. Lecture: 'Nutritional Values,' 9
29 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
29 Rummage Sale, U.C. Hall, Limbless Fund
29 Royal Asiatic Society Meeting
29 7th Rover Ball, Masonic Hall, 9
29 For. Y. Debate: 'Pacifism and Warmakers,' 9
30 Shai. Dialect Club, Foreign Y, 6

JANUARY, 1939

12 Le Ballet Russe, Grand Premiere of Tschaikowsky's ballet: 'Le Lac des Cygnes' (The Enchanted Lake), Lyceum Theatre, 9

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China's Railways:

What is the Position?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Having recently returned to Shanghai and as a bondholder of many years standing I would like to know what the position and prospects of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway are today?

A "Domei" press communication informed us on December 8 that

> passenger and freight service has been resumed for some time on the Shanghai-Hangchow, Shanghai-Nanking and Soochow Kashing Railways and branch lines. Traffic in these lines has improved and the service is much better than it was before the hostilities, with regular schedules on the main lines connecting Nanking, Shanghai and Hangchow.

If this report is correct it might be opportune to enquire what arrangements, if any, have been made between the British interests concerned and the present operators of the line for protecting the legitimate rights of the bondholders, to whom the earnings and the entire property of the railway are mortgaged.

Are earnings being set aside in order to accumulate funds for payment of loan service to the bondholders?

Are the Japanese Military operating the railway, and if so, for the benefit of whom?

Recent Press declarations inform us that the newly-formed "Central China Devlopment Company," a Sino-Japanese semi-government concern will, amongst its other activities, include the running of railways.

Does this mean that the abovementioned Company will operate the Shanghai-Nanking Railway? And if so will it take over the liabilities as well as the assets of the line?

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The original loan agreement, to build the railway, was made with the old Imperial régime in 1903. Since that time control of the line has passed through various hands; the change to the Republican party in 1911, followed by an era of local warlordism and civil wars, until the arrival of the Nationalists in 1927. And now again new operators.

In spite of the various changes in administration during the past the rights of the bondholders have never been questioned. Each incumbent in turn has tried to carry out the terms of the loan agreement.

A definite declaration by the present administrators therefore that the rights of the bondholders would be protected in the future would go some way towards allaying the present anxiety.

HAROLD REYNELL.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.

Moral Rearmament:

The Real Need of Today

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I wonder if we stop sometimes to gaze at the spectacle which the world presents to us today? In Spain the Spaniards assisted by certain foreign countries are busy killing each other off. In China in the last eighteen months we have seen the slaughtering and maiming of human beings going on, on a colossal scale. Practically every country in Europe and America is arming at a furious rate, amassing the most devilish and cruel weapons of war with which to murder their fellow men. I am struck by the crass studipity and futility of it all. After all, will great numbers of battleships, aeroplanes, guns and large armies save the people of any nation from being slaughtered, poisoned, bombed, burned and buried in the event of a major war breaking out? As I see it, all the guns, balloon barrages, and aeroplanes in the world will not prevent the wholesale murdering, maiming and poisoning of men, women, and children in the next war.

Then what is the remedy? Are we just going to sit back and wait till war and death and destruction come? I think not. There is a way out, I am convinced and that is Moral Rearmament. As Dr. Frank Buchman says, the choice before the world today is:—"Guidance or Guns". As a number of members of the British Parliament said in a letter to the London "Times" the other day, we have to get back to the simple truths we learned at our mother's knee. Moral Rearmament means the guidance of God in individual lives, then in the life of a nation, and so on to other nations. God and God alone can lead the world out of the mess it is in, but He can only do it through individuals who are morally and spiritually fit. Herein and herein alone, I am convinced, lies our true safety, and hope for the survival of our civilization.

One wonders sometimes if our so-called civilization is worth saving? It will only be worth saving if we as individual men and women set out to make it worth saving. In order to do that we ourselves have got to rearm morally. We have got to face up to the causes of war in our own lives, fear, worry, hate, resentment, prejudice, superiority complex, inferiority complex and so on. It is only when we have peace and love in our own hearts that we can bring this spirit of peace and love to the hearts of others, and so we can be used to raise the plane of our civilization and establish true democracy.

> "These things shall be: a loftier race
> Than e'er the world hath known shall rise
> With flame of freedom in their souls
> And light of knowledge in their eyes."

Major Stephen Foot, business man, soldier, schoolmaster, and author in his book "Life began Yesterday" has a remarkably prophetic chapter entitled "1930-1950". He also brings to each one of us a challenge to action. In a significant passage he says:

> The need is urgent; there is no time to lose. The world is arming. There are at this moment thousands of machine guns pointing at the hearts of the coming generation. What are you going to do? Be sure of one thing—let it disturb your sloop—to do nothing means that your fingers are pressing on the trigger.
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> "But," you say, "what can I do?" The answer is "Nothing." You have asked the wrong question. The only question is: "What can God do?" He has a plan; what is your part in it? Will you listen to him?

PRO HUMANITY.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.

From New Guinea:

Reader's Search For Gold

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—My letters from Shanghai and the "N.C. Herald" make very gloomy reading these days, however, the Shanghailander is wonderfully resilient and will re-adjust himself to circumstances as he did after 1925, '27 and '32. This year has been a series of misfortunes for myself as well as for you in Shanghai and I can still see nothing but disaster looming ahead.

From July to early December 1937 I was on the Wossim River near Aitape working gold in the river beaches and doing fairly well, I averaged 25 oz a month during that time. With plenty of game and an abundance of native foods to feed my boys it was very profitable. In early December I finished working the top-most beaches and the gold cut out, I was about to start on a prospecting trip to another river but got washed down stream in a flood and crawled out miles below with two broken ribs. An abscess started alongside the broken ribs and I had to be carried six days over the mountains to Aitape. I travelled by schooner to Wewak and then flew to Wau via Madang. I left hospital at the end of January and was offered a Tribute on one of New Guinea Goldfield Co's. leases on the Bulolo. On February 13 I was in Wewak on my way to collect my boys and gear but ran into misfortune in the shape of a lot of whiskey and at a cove called "Turkey" Johnson, we had a brawl about a dog and I got my leg broken If anyone tells you that Providence looks after drunks, don't believe them.

It was not until May that I got started on the Bulolo and the Jinx got really started on me. I first put on a water race through very difficult country to work a good looking river flat that prospected well and that all the local shrewd miners said should be a money spinner. I shifted over 5000 cu.yds. and cleaned up the bed-rock for 27 oz 12 dwts. After that fiasco I extended the water race about 400 yards and started on a terrace, it was not bad but I only got two weeks work out of it as the bed-rock rose sharply and I was shifting a lot of ground with two nozzles with 60ft of head. The dry season allowed me to work two fairly good spots in the river bed, but they need to be mighty good to be payable. Labour costs are heavy on account of the high aeroplane freight on foods and I also have to pay 20 per cent. of my gold to the company as tribute. I have just this very morning finished fluming my race across the river, 128 ft. span on a suspension bridge 55 ft. above the river. It is not an easy job as the flume carries 10 sluiceheads of water weighing 3 tons. The bridge is built of second hand wire and I was very jittery when I turned the water in but everything went according to plan and I am now ready to start nozzling on a rather poverty stricken looking terrace about 300 yards below the bridge.

I very much regret leaving the Aitape district, not much gold but very pleasant conditions on the Wossim. The natives were not a bad lot, both sexes entirely naked and natural, very different to the sophisticated Mission trained crowd on the coast. I carried a lot of trade goods for buying food for my boys, any one of the following articles was the price of a meal for one boy. One Razor Blade, 1 box of matches, 1 tea-spoonful of beads or 1 tablespoonful of salt. For buying big lots of yams, taro or sago I used small mirrors, knives, tomahawks or lavalavas. A five shilling axe would buy about 200 lb. of sago. I kept a "shoot-boy" out every day and he kept the camp supplied lavishly with game. Here on the Bulolo everything is different, no game and no supply of native grown foods, rice costs £33-10-0 a ton landed in Wau and all supplies and mining tools are costly after paying aeroplane freight from Salamaua. When I got this Tribute everyone said how lucky I was, but I wish I'd never seen the place, so far I have spent over £400 on race construction and have mighty little gold to show for it. Things must get better soon though and anyhow one never knows what is ahead of the pick.

HOBGOBLIN.

Wau, New Guinea, Nov. 11.

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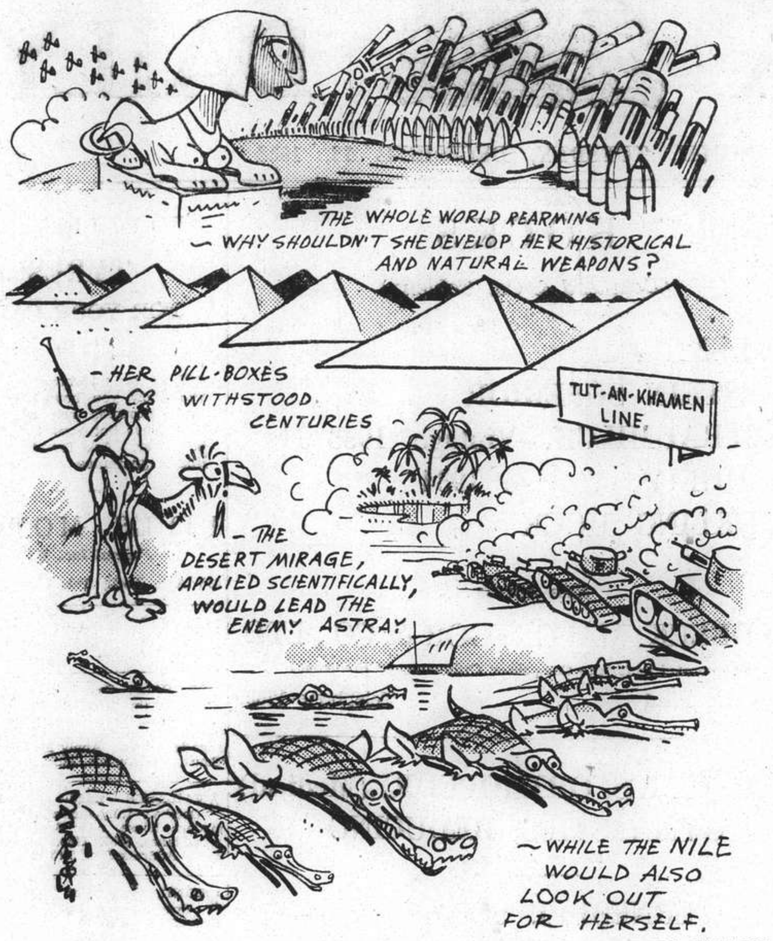

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FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF DECEMBER 13, 1878

We are requested to draw the attention of the public to the fact that the Customs' Nautical Telegraph has been revised, and that the new mode of signalling will commence on January 1, 1879. The Commercial Code has been added to the list of flags at present in use, and when exhibited by an approaching vessel similar flags will be hoisted at Pootung. The numbers of the regular coast and riverine vessels have been rearranged by the Harbour Master, and from the list we ascertain the fact that Shanghai can now boast of 59 regular traders.

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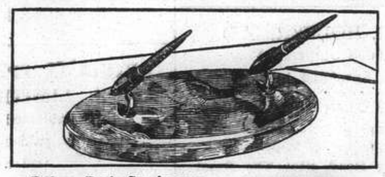

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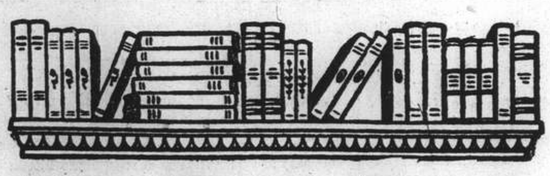

THE BOOK PAGE

Stimulating Mixture

AN AIR FIGHTER'S SCRAP BOOK By Squadron Leader Ira Jones, D.S.O. M.C., D.F.C., M.M. Nicholson & Watson, London. 10/6.

Resisting the temptation, so common among those autobiographers who have lived a life of adventure and excitement, to fling words down on paper in a shapeless farrago and to rely upon the matter to atone for deficiencies in manner, Squadron Leader Ira Jones, in his new book, "An Air Fighter's Scrap Book," has described the imperishable part played by British airmen in France, Flanders and other parts of the world, and has recorded in a characteristic vivid style his march of twenty-one years of thrills in the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Air Force. Known to flyers throughout the British Empire as "Taffy" Jones, the author conquered forty foes during twenty-nine months in France and was a doughty participant in numerous other fights. He won the D.S.O., M.C., D.F.C. and M.M. and at the end of his Great War career continued his fighting in North Russia and, later, Iraq. Later still he flew regularly, part of the time on experimental work. No wonder he possesses such an inexhaustible store of adventures and anecdotes, the majority of which are described in his book. Consequently famous names and heroic deeds flit through the pages in endless panorama, and into his narrative he has crowded as much hazard and variety, even in his post-war work, as to thrill the most phlegmatic individual.

He introduces such famous names as "Mick" Mannock V.C., England's Great War hero of the skies; Richthofen, Germany's wartime idol; the "Mad Major," known to every "Tommy" in France for his daring exploits in the air; Werner Voss, the German Jew (in the opinion of the author this man was Germany's greatest air fighter—greater even than Richthofen); General Miller and Major Kosikoff, White Russian fighters; and Lawrence of Arabia, whom he introduces as Aircraftsman Shaw. He deals with such things as the exploits of the "dawn patrol," a private war in North Russia, adventures in Iraq "Rugger" (the author was an accomplished player for several leading fifteens), the war aces of France, and with the implications of the recent European crisis.

Offensive and Defensive

In his chapter on "Richthofen and his 'Circus,'" the author holds the view that while the German aerial equipment was superior to that of the British in 1917, they never really used it to the best effect. He states:

> It is true that they were shooting down our machines in the ratio of five to one, but what must be remembered when assessing the situation is that we continued to conduct daily reconnaissances, which were absolutely necessary for our success, while the enemy remained behind his own lines, and always under the protection of anti-aircraft defences.
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> The British throughout the War looked upon the aeroplane as an offensive weapon, while the Germans regarded it as a defensive unit. What is the explanation of this somewhat inexplicable attitude on the part of the enemy? Personally, I think the lack of the offensive spirit may be traced to the stern, pre-War German discipline which cramped, if not killed, all individual initiative. The massed formation and the goose-step obliterated the individual and bred an unquestioning soldier—a robot.

Regarding the Jew, Werner Voss, the author writes:

> I do not want to begrudge any of the credit due to Richthofen, who claims to have shot down over eighty machines—a figure which has been challenged in many quarters—but in comparing him with our own aces—men like Mannock, Ball and Barker, to quote just a few—his record shows that he secured only a few victims over enemy lines. He was content, to quote his words, "to wait until the English come to us," rather than go in pursuit of his enemy. On the other hand our pilots sought out the Germans, miles over their lines. It is on record that a number of B.E.'s actually had the audacity to go and bomb the aerodrome of the Richthofen "Circus" at Douai. Richthofen also took care that he did not fight a machine of the calibre of his own, unlike the redoubtable German Jew, Werner Voss, who literally tackled anything under the sun.

Foreign Politics

"Mick" Mannock V.C. was, according to the author, the supreme air fighter of all nations. He was the finest air tactician and patrol leader and the most ruthless fighter of the War, he emphasizes. He recounts many stories of Mannock's daring deeds and of his mysterious death. Describing his experiences in North Russia the author severely criticizes the White Russian fighters with whom he fought against the Bolsheviks. With the exception of one officer—a Colonel Kosikoff—he describes the rest as not being worth a "pinch of salt."

Describing a scene in Archangel he writes:

> A few Regiments staffed by British officers were formed and these men with a few refugee ex-Czarist officers were lodged in barracks north of the town. Very soon it became evident that these troops could not be depended upon, and their Russian officers were as unamenable to discipline as their own men. In many respects they were a grotesque sight as they swaggered round the streets ablaze with orders and decorations which they had resurrected for the adulation of Archangel's young "barishnas."

Written before the crisis, his chapter on "Bombers and the Next European War" is very interesting. He writes:

> Germany is the one European country today which is spoiling for war. "Blood and steel" is the country's national motto. How can she be held in check? She possibly has Mussolini on her side—but Italy deserted her at the beginning of the last war. Hitler had better be careful. The rose petals which were strewn in his path when he recently visited Rome have long since died. Russia, Czechoslovakia and France are definitely not on her side and possibly Poland is not either. Japan may help her, but then America will surely join the fray. Therefore, England must be the ally which Germany covets most. We must never give her the impression that we are a possible ally. What we must do is to build a powerful bombing force of say 10,000 bombers, if possible. Such a force will give us the whip hand in European affairs and peace thus should be secure. On the other hand if war is thrust upon us, we shall be in a position to obtain a quick victory over the enemy with the aid of our Allies.

"An Air Fighter's Scrap Book" is a sound and stimulating mixture of lively incident and understanding comment. It makes a fitting companion to his earlier book on his great fighting comrade, Major Mannock.—R.S.

A Great Host

CESAR RITZ, HOST TO THE WORLD By Marie Ritz. Harrap, London.

César Ritz's wife has written one of the most readable biographies recently published, on the subject of her husband, the hotel manager *par excellence* and the one who established hotels which were to become famous all over the world. It is the story of a man who started at the very bottom of the ladder and worked himself up until he became the friend and confidant of princes, of a man who had worked in small restaurants learning all the while how to manage the big ones.

Ritz in the modelling of his hotels adopted Disraeli's slogan of *"Sanitas, sanitatum, omnia sanitas"* for in no respect did he sacrifice hygiene for beauty. Until 1898 when the Hotel Ritz was opened in Paris the Hotel Bristol was the last word in luxury. But it possessed one bathroom to each floor, and King Edward VII, then Prince of Wales, when he stayed there, as he invariably did for over forty years, when he transferred his patronage to the Ritz, was compelled to have his baths sent in to him by the "Bath-at-home Service" which would bring on carts huge tanks of hot water, a tub and all the necessaries. The Ritz changed all that by providing a bathroom for each apartment. The heavy plushes and velvets had disappeared from the windows, and only muslins which could be washed, light silks that could be easily cleaned—germ-collecting wallpaper had followed the plush into the limbo of forgotten things—and painted walls took their place. It is hardly any wonder that the innovations aroused much enthusiasm, and it has been claimed, probably with some degree of justice that César Ritz was a great civilizing influence in his time with regard to sanitation and hygiene in hotels.

Nymphs at Dawn

But it was not only in Paris that Ritz's influence was to be felt. London as well as other European capitals were to witness the genius of this Napoleon amongst *hôteliers*. The Savoy opened with the world's greatest chef and the greatest *hôtelier* in collaboration, and though the proprietors of other concerns looked askance, prophesying that the unheard of luxury now provided could not last, the "persuasive Swiss with the Midas touch" brought about a complete revolution in the hotel business in London. The Savoy became the rage, the scene of the most wonderful parties, some costing as much as £20 a head, and of these Ritz with his enthusiasm and ingenuity was generally in charge.

It was here that he had the assistance of Escoffier, during a time when he created many of his most famous dishes such as *filets de sole Coquelin, homard aux Feux Eternels, volaille à la Derby, pêches Melba, and cuisses de nymphes à l'Aurore.* The stories concerning the last two are not without interest and happily give a general taste of the book itself:

> Melba fresh from an American tour, was planning a little dinner part which would include many of her co-stars at Covent Garden. She and Escoffier perfectly agreed upon all the items of the menu save one. Melba wished to have *pêches flambées*, thinking the meal needed a hot and piquant ending. Escoffier insisted that an ice would be much better. They compromised. The result was one of Escoffier's happiest invention.
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> As to the *cuisses de nymphes à l'Aurore*. The Prince of Wales, later Edward VII, liked to entrust the making of a menu entirely to Ritz. Habitually Ritz was conservative and discreet, rarely permitting himself to order anything but slight variations on dishes which he knew were solid favourites of the Prince. But on one occasion he decided to be daring, and *Nymphes à l'Aurore* appeared at the top of the menu—the first time it had ever appeared on any menu. The Prince and his guests ate it with delight. "'Nymphs at Dawn!' Lovely name and lovely dish. But what is it?" they asked. "Is it a small bird, or what?"
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> Ritz confessed to me that he trembled when he disclosed the secret. The Prince and his friends had eaten nothing more nor less than frogs' legs! It is one of Escoffier's most original dishes—the frogs' legs being served cold in a jelly of cream and Moselle wine, coloured and slightly flavoured with paprika.

The book is replete with stories of the great and the fashionable, and serves to give a very adequate idea of how the world enjoyed itself in those days. It has been written with all the signs of a widow's loving care, and the sympathetic manner in which she has handled the story adds greatly to the charm of the book. —R.T.P-G.

In Tabloid Form

THE WONDER BOOK OF WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT? General Editor: Harry Golding, F.R.G.S. With eight coloured plates and nearly 300 illustrations. Ward Lock, London. 5/-.

These Wonder Books are so wonderful that one sometimes wonders what the wonder-children of the future will have to wonder about. Taking this book as an example, it can only be said that it contains a mass of information on various subjects from insects to stars, copiously illustrated in such a convincing manner that one begins to wonder why the Editors gave it the caption, "Would you believe it?" It is really all very delightful reading and this reviewer confesses that he sat up much beyond his usual bedtime reading the nature stories, so enthralled that he could not drop the book; he was not vastly interested in the information that, owing to the rivers carrying so much solid rock down to the sea, there will be no dry land at all left in the world in ten million years' time at the most: it was possibly to cover such information as this that the query was put in the title.

A Trifling Sinner

The natural history subjects are beautifully dealt with and contain a mine of information for any young person from senior school age to sophomore—or slippered pantaloon if you like—and yet the feeling remains that it is sometimes dangerous to deal with such matters in tabloid form. As an example, take the article entitled "Set a Thief..." and notice what is said about the Little Owl:

> ....someone thought it would be a good idea to bring some Little Owls to England...(they) soon increased in numbers and did kill many mice, but they found it easy to kill some of our useful birds as well, like thrushes, blackbirds and finches. That was one mistake Man made.

If the editors of this book had waited for the Little Owl enquiry which took place last year in England they would have discovered that the bird has been found "not guilty" of anything but a few minor crimes and that it is in fact a benefactor to the country just as its introducers anticipated.

Great Big Query

Again, take the very delightful article headed "Insect 'Wireless'": now, there is only one thing which the word "wireless" can convey to the youngster of today and that is —electrical impulse received through the air by means of antennae, as the pictures so graphically suggest. But Fabre, the greatest of all investigators into the wonders of the insect world, left this subject with a great big query which has never been answered: after long and patient experiments he proved that the sex-call of the female was due to some kind of scent, but that the scent did not travel through the air in the manner conceived by human brains was easily demonstrable by the fact that attracted males often flew downwind: he therefore suggested that (to use his own words) "like light, odour has its X-rays:" He never suggested that there was any process such as we call "wireless" today. It is all very difficult, and it would be a pity to have the younger generation misled in any way by conclusions arrived at too swiftly.

Fair Warning

Many of the "marvels" dealt with in this book are known to the elders but will be as refreshing as ever to the young. It would seem to be the obvious thing to recommend "Would You Believe It?" as an ideal Christmas gift for all existing sons and daughters above the age of twelve, but there is a catch which should be explained to all those who have any choice in the matter: if they get the book as a present it will promptly be purloined by father and all the uncles —not to mention mother and the aunts.—E.S.W.

New Fiction

A year or two ago when visiting a friend, I had to wait about half-an-hour in his library. I picked up a book which he had been reading. I enjoyed the few chapters I read while awaiting him so much that when I left I begged him to lend me the book. I promised to return it the next day. Unfortunately I had not leisure enough to finish the book. My poignant grief at having to return it with several chapters unread is still a vivid memory. This book was "The Happy Return," by C. S. Forester. It described a period in the life of one Captain Hornblower, a gallant and very shy naval hero of the Napoleonic Wars era. This book was the first of the Hornblower trilogy, of which **"Flying Colours"** (Michael Joseph, London. 7/6) is the third, and, I note with regret, the last. In Captain Hornblower Mr. Forester has introduced a fictional character of an entirely new type who, I am sure, will endear himself to a wide public. This essentially human hero seems to be composed of two entities. He imagines he possesses many weaknesses and is conscious of these to the point of exaggeration. He considers himself a very poor type of man. Spurred on by fear of revelation of his self-thought feebleness to his subordinates, he wraps himself in a cloak of imperturbability, setting himself an impossibly high standard of discipline. Little does he realize that he is regarded with loyal affection by all who serve under him. In moments of duress he imagines he cuts a very poor figure in the eyes of his staff. In actual fact his suppression of all emotions when in danger sets such a fine example to all under him that they would follow him right into the jaws of death at his command. Another aspect of his character is his bewilderment by the fact that three women fall in love with him, two of whom fail to excite in him emotions deeper than friendliness. **"Flying Colours"** tells the story of his adventures while a captive of Napoleon's men, his eventual escape and triumphal return to England with two of his devoted followers. This book, I am sure, will be enjoyed by all who read it whatever their taste in literature may be. My interest has been so much stirred that I shall not rest content until I have read the second of the Hornblower trilogy, "A Ship of the Line."—W.V.H.C.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from page 2)

The Bus Service:

Leading Article Criticized

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your leading article of December 5 calls for someone to point out some of the fallacious reasoning advanced in defending the bus service in the International Settlement. So far, only CONTACT has written, attempting to lay an additional smoke screen by blandly putting all the blame on "petty municipal obstructions" and "lack of efficient Police control of the traffic."

First of all, are we to understand you to be of the opinion that large numbers of present bus users still work in the Northern and Eastern districts, and should such districts be reopened they would "live closer to their work" and relieve the present strain?

Is the "chief cause of complaint, viz., overcrowding"? If you will glance over the correspondence columns of your own journal you will see that during the course of the last dozen years you have printed many letters of complaint about such matters as the nauseating fumes; the seeming lack of effort to keep to a timetable; the filthy state of buses on certain of the routes; the failure to stop to take on passengers, among others. How many times during these dozen years did the China General Omnibus Co. promise the Shanghai Municipal Council the noxious smoke from their lumbering behemoths was to cease? We had it long before the hostilities and it is still with us. How many times have you or CONTACT ridden on a No. 10 bus before or now and not wanted to bathe with disinfectant afterwards? How many times have you or any official of the Bus Company had drivers ignore your frantic attempts to stop them (with half-empty vehicles, not crowded)?

Since the first bus began running in Shanghai, around 1924, I have been a more or less constant user. At present I go by bus from Jessfield Park to Honan Road and return, two or four times daily. At 7 a.m. each morning the buses at Jessfield Park are so full of thick blue smoke one has to lower several windows in order to breathe; and the first bus in the line seldom leaves first. An efficient system would have a few windows open to get rid of the smoke inside; and they would have the doors closed of all the buses except the next one to be despatched.

On last Thursday morning the bus I boarded was evidently late, for the driver passed three stops on Yu Yuen Road between the Park and Edinburgh Road, despite the fact from three to eight persons were waving to him to stop for them. Between Edinburgh Road and St. George's he made no stops, although at two places there were passengers waving and calling to him. The upper deck of the bus had three passengers, and the lower perhaps five until we reached St. George's. I see such deliberate refusals to stop at two places in particular, both coming West—at Fokien Road and at Ferry Road—several times a week, but never such wholesale passing as Bus 86 about 7.20 a.m. on December 8.

A last word about CONTACT's letter. Did the Municipal Council not pay for the evacuating of inmates of Ward Road Jail; did the hundreds of thousands of people carried by bus from the war-areas not pay for their transportation?

CREVE COEUR

Shanghai, Dec. 12.

"Pecheur de Perles:"

Question of Identity

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—As many people have confused the Chinese Women's League with the Chinese Women's Club, I am directed by our Executive Committee to avail ourselves of your columns to infom your readers that there is no connection between these two organizations.

Further, we understand that the name of Mrs. L. Chen of the Chinese Women's League has been mistaken with that of Mrs. Cheng Lin, Treasurer of the Chinese Women's Club. We wish to state that they are names of two different persons and that Mrs. Cheng Lin has no connection with the Chinese Women's League.

MRS. ALFRED S. LEE

Shanghai, Dec. 12

"King Thrushbeard:"

Thanks from the B.W.A.

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The Musical & Dramatic Section Committee of the British Women's Association would like through the courtesy of your columns to thank all those who helped to make our production of King Thrushbeard so successful, and in particular would like to mention:—A. D. C.; Mr. Charles Speyer; Mrs. James Neil; Miss Fleet; Mr. W. J. Kerr; Union Church; British Forces Recreation Centre; Marden & Co.; Mr. E. W. A. Clements; Mr. A. Harvey; Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.

KATE GAIN
Chairman, Musical & Dramatic Section.

Shanghai, Dec. 10

An Appeal:

Missions to Seamen

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Owing to present conditions I am not making a general appeal as usual for Christmas entertaining, but I feel sure that there are some who would like to contribute to the Christmas-tide Entertainment Fund for the Merchant Navy lads who will have to spend their Christmas in a foreign port.

As it is impossible to know the numbers who will be able to come ashore, cash donations for the purchase of cigarettes, cakes and small presents would be the most suitable and should be sent to the Chaplain, Missions to Seamen, 17, Canton Road.

F. W. WEAVER

Shanghai, Dec. 12

China Incident:

Way to Discover Meaning

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—On the possible meaning of the present China Incident, some Japanese declarations and editorials are transmitted from Tokyo to all other important cities of the world. Indeed, as the military campaign goes on and on in China, Japanese desires and wishes are expressed gradually, "plainly," boldly or even bluntly, adding colour to a stream of imperial propaganda. To the Chinese, European and American observers, let me say that while there are lines and pages of Japanese statement semi-officially or confidentially presented for information, one must glance between the lines and under the pages.

There can be found under the pages, for instance, the Tanaka Memorandum, the 21 Demands, the story of Korea, the inside history of Manchoukuo, the episode of Taiwan. Then there can be seen between the lines a sort of cannibalism somehow clothed in anti-Comintern Pact and economic co-operation.

Readers may be reminded of the fact that there has been a demand pressed on China by way of Peking and Nanking soon after Japan left the League of Nations and since then that demand has become louder and persistent; namely, "to join a Japanese defensive and offensive alliance and to co-operate with Japan in economics." No one can say what this exactly means. It defies any one for a definition. None can define "sincere understanding" or "economic co-operation" as may be in the mind of a Japanese who happens to exert pressure on the Chinese Government.

There is a tempting suggestion nowadays which one must hear in the exclusive restaurant somewhat in East Asia and which sounds like this: "Great Asiastic Empire à la Tanaka with autarchy militaire—very good; very nice...." Certain Powers out of Asia may like to see it brought about for the sake of revenge or curiosity, but may also find its taste extremely bitter or even poisonous. However, I am talking in sleep—none should be scared!

RIP VAN WINKLE

Shanghai, Dec. 12

Western Area:

Another Nuisance Reported

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—On a vacant space of land between Jessfield Park and Park View Apartments (36 Brenan Road) two factories of the "Bamboo hut" type have been erected right in a residential sector.

The workmen of these factories, as well as coolies of some native shops in the vicinity, are using this vacant piece of land for committing nuisance day and night to such an extent that an everlasting stream of liquid manure runs into Brenan Road; not to mention the stench of it.

Although the above-mentioned nuisance is a public offence according to the laws of our Model Settlement, yet the Chinese constables on duty do not even seem to notice it or try to stop it, as they are too busy chatting with each other at the Park entrance.

Apparently the authorities concerned have neither power nor interest to remedy this situation and I am, therefore, wondering, if they are justified in continuing to collect the S.M. taxes from the unfortunate people who are compelled, under the present circumstances, to live out there.

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Shanghai, Dec. 12.

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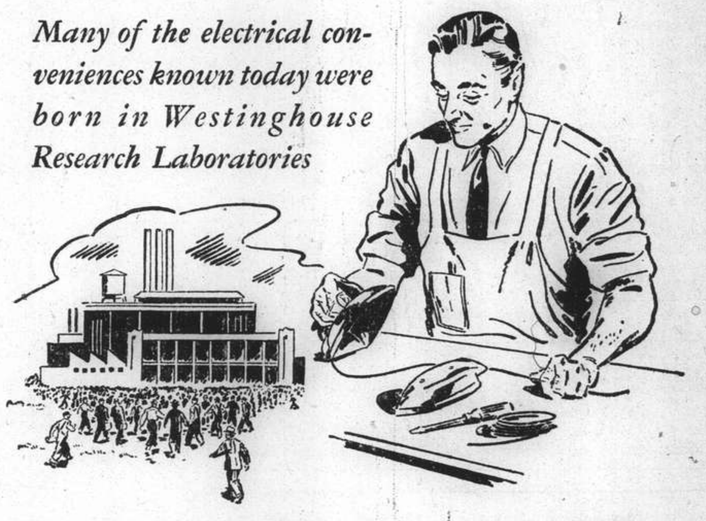

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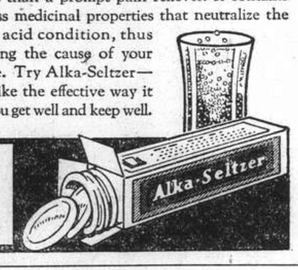

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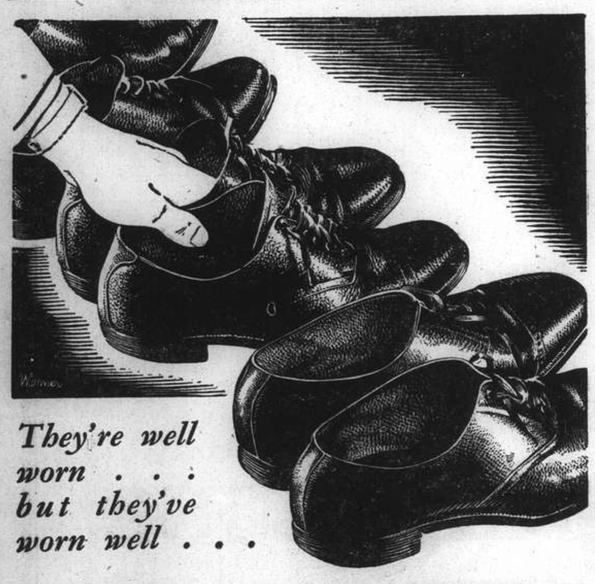

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MARTIN.—On Sunday, December 11, 1938, suddenly, at Shanghai, JEAN MCLEAN MARTIN, aged 48 years, Matron of the Shanghai Municipal Police Hospital. Removed to parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held today, Tuesday, December 13, at Bubbling Well Cemetery, at 3.30 p.m. 12950

SILVA.—On Monday, December 12, 1938, at Shanghai, LUIZ CONSTANCIO DA SILVA, aged 9 years, the dearly-beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. da Silva. Removed to parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. (Hongkong and Macao papers please copy.) 12952

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IS MEMEL NEXT?

The question as to whether Memel will be Herr Hitler's next objective in Europe naturally arises as a result of the elections which took place on Sunday. The territory in question is a thin strip of land about twice the area of Greater London lying adjacent to the northern boundary of East Prussia. In fact, until the end of the Great War, Memel was part of East Prussia, but under the Treaty of Versailles it was detached from Germany and placed under the control of the Conference of Ambassadors sitting at Paris. That state of affairs did not last long, for on January 15, 1923, as the result of a military coup Memel passed under the control of Lithuania, and the Conference of Ambassadors, having practically no other choice, bowed to the *fait accompli* and ratified the new conditions so brought about. In 1924 the Memel Convention was signed by Lithuania, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan, constituting the territory as a unit within the sovereignty of Lithuania, granting it, however, a large measure of local autonomy. The population according to Lithuanian official figures consists of 45.2 per cent. Germans, 24.2 per cent. Memellanders, 26.5 per cent. Lithuanians; the remainder consisting of Poles, Jews, Russians and Letts. The country is wholly uninteresting and desperately poor, but to Lithuania it is of considerable importance as the Port of Memel provides her with an outlet to the sea. The German section of the population has always retained its affection for the Fatherland, despite attempts by the Lithuanians to wean them from it, a fact which it is reported has considerably irked them, and may to some extent account for the very definite cleavage which has always existed between the two peoples. Ever since Memel was cut away from East Prussia the Germans have always been waiting for their opportunity to go back to their original allegiance, and the success of the Anschluss and the division of Czechoslovakia have undoubtedly inspired them with a new enthusiasm, as indicating a means whereby their ambitions may be achieved. They are not content with the autonomy which has been assured them under the Memel Convention claiming that the provisions of that document have been consistently infringed by the Lithuanians.

The complaints which they put forward have the old familiar ring. They allege that, contrary to the Convention, the Lithuanians have endeavoured to break down their patriotism either by open or subterranean methods, not unlike those alleged against the Czechs. German officials, it is claimed, have been removed in favour of Lithuanians in practically all government departments. Private business firms are said to have been placed under pressure to employ Lithuanians instead of Germans, and there is the general charge of anti-German discrimination which covers the above and other points. The result is that feelings have often run high. It is further alleged that the latest Lithuanian proposal giving the Governor of Memelland, who must always be a Lithuanian, the right for reasons concerning the security of the State, to suspend freedom of movement, and expression of individuals, without consulting the authorities which have been elected by Memellanders for their autonomous government, and also to send political undesirables to labour camps. The gubernatorial veto is another thorn in the side of the Germans in the territory. Recently two laws which the Germans regarded as highly necessary were vetoed by the Governor. One provided for the introduction of a labour book for all workers in the district, while the other provided that all craftsmen should be registered, after they had been subjected to tests as to their efficiency. The determination of the Governor not to permit these enactments to become law has been such that the first Bill has been vetoed five times and the second four. It is claimed for the Lithuanians that these two enactments were not necessary to the welfare of the state, indeed were contrary to it and to the Memel Convention, and alleged that they were designed for the purpose of preventing the influx of Lithuanians into Memel to assist in the development of a port which it is said is somewhat flourishing. It is claimed that, according to the constitution and the convention, Lithuanian citizens are entitled to settle and work wherever they like, and that there can be no distinction between the citizens of Lithuania and those residing in the Memel territory. With regard to the other German complaints it is maintained by the Lithuanians that the protesting Germans have not been content to rule themselves under the autonomous powers granted to them, but animated by an aggressive nationalism, have consistently made co-operation with the Lithuanian authorities impossible, while it is also alleged that many of the laws which the Governor has vetoed were designed and passed by the Memel legislature merely for the purpose of creating friction.

Though the actual results of Sunday's election have not yet come to hand there seems to be little doubt that the Germans will continue to hold 24 of the 29 seats in the Landstag, and may possibly increase their holding. It must be emphasized that prima facie the elections are nothing like a plebiscite on the question of a return to Germany, though it has been pointed out that, though the German party claims only the strict application of the Memel Convention, there is the possibility that the Memel Nazis in the event of the success they anticipate at the polls will petition the Reich for formal recognition of the territory as German, while at the request of the Memel Government, despite the Governor's veto which would seem inevitable, German troops might be marched in, for neither Lithuania nor Poland would be able to oppose such occupation by force of arms. The diplomatic correspondent of the "Sunday Times" is probably correct in his view that the best solution for Lithuania would be to bow to the inevitable, and agree to this territorial change in exchange for trade concessions through the port of Memel. Thus a revision of the Convention of 1924 might be brought about by agreement between the guaranteeing Powers. The whole question is certainly one about which there should be no great heartburnings. It arises from another of those ill-considered amputations made at Versailles when the national ambitions of certain peoples were being considered. It ought to have been possible even then to have arranged a method whereby Lithuania should have had access to the sea through some sort of arrangement as that which may now be brought into existence. The needs of Poland will also have to be taken into consideration, for negotiations have been proceeding with Lithuania as a result of which it is expected that more Polish overseas trade will pass through the port of Memel in the near future than before, but if a satisfactory arrangement can be made with Lithuania, there seems to be no really valid reason why the same cannot be done with regard to Poland.

Fishery Alternative

An article written for a Japanese newspaper by its diplomatic correspondent and appearing elsewhere in this issue lends corroboration to the editorial article on the subject of the Russo-Japanese fisheries dispute which was published yesterday, and adds considerable point to the contention that when the provisions of the Treaty of Portsmouth suit Japan that document is honoured, and when they do not it is disregarded. If the Japanese Government seeks to invoke the authority of the Treaty in support of the contention that Russia should immediately enter into another fisheries convention, Russia with equal justice should be allowed to avail herself of that Article referring to the number of Japanese troops to be maintained in Manchoukuo. The Treaty either exists in toto or it does not, and in this respect Japan is very much like the small boy who would like to eat his cake and still have it. One of the most interesting implications to be found in the Japanese article is contained in the last paragraph in which it is suggested that if Moscow will not consent to a renewal of the agreement Japan will protect her treaty rights with armed force as a substitute for treaty regulations. If that means anything at all it must be that, if necessary, Japan will permit her vessels to fish in the areas involved, and afford them the necessary naval protection. It is quite possible that at any rate for a while such a scheme might prove successful, though if Russia were then to seek to protect her rights a situation might be created as a result of which war would be inevitable. That in her present temper she would do so seems sure, and while the Soviet might not be able to launch a sufficiently big fleet to deal with the protection which the Japanese could give their fishing vessels, there are still other methods of dealing with the trouble, which might commend themselves to the Russian authorities, and which would tend to bring about those hostilities which Japan certainly cannot want in her present preoccupied condition.

"Brutal Wishes"

In the eyes of the German newspaper "Lokal-Anzeiger" any defence of democracy or appeal on behalf of the Jews seems to be an insult to the German nation and those guilty of such an offence to have laid themselves open to unrestrained abuse. Mr. Cordell Hull's reasoned speech on the need for solidarity in the American continents is described by this fiery journal as "Washington's brutal wishes for hegemony"; while Lord Baldwin's recent appeal on behalf of Jewish refugees is dubbed "the limit of mendacious humanitarian hypocrisy" and a "hundred per cent. expression of Anglo-Saxon cant, political insincerity, exploitation of the lachrymatory gland, and gutter humanity." Lord Baldwin is also called a "gutter snipe." Anyone who is acquainted with the fine integrity and the undoubted sincerity of Lord Baldwin will know exactly what weight to attach to such vilification. Lord Baldwin himself would probably consider it beneath his notice; but the fact that in Nazi Germany there is a certain amount of control of the press gives the attack more than the customary significance. It is a commonplace comment on such methods of reply to state that abuse can never take the place of a real answer, and, in fact, tends to show the weakness of the abuser and the strength of the accuser. In the cases of Lord Baldwin and Mr. Hull, however, accusations can hardly have been said to have been made. And the abuse, therefore, has not even the excuse of being in self-justification.

IN PARENTHESIS

Revised Proverb

"A FOOL and his honey are soon parted."

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Colder

"I EXPECT you notice a change since I took up the game two months ago, caddie?"

"Aye—it's colder."

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Probably

SWEARING has never been known to improve a golfer's game, but golf, has often been known to improve a player's swearing!

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Inspection

MRS. Seeker: Have you any cooks on hand?

Proprietor: Six in the anteroom.

Mrs. Seeker: Please ask them to look me over and see if there is anybody here I might suit.

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Down in the Deep

"SHE'S so common, you know," said the one herring to the other, "both her mother and father were sold for three-ha'pence each, cooked, at a coffee-stall, whereas most of my ancestors have been kippered and sold for thirty bob a pair in a night club."

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Four Short

JONES had finished the Bogey Competition 14 down and was facing the congratulations of the Clubhouse with a wintry smile. But it was left to Bones to put the tin hat on it.

'Tell me, old man,' he said, 'Why didn't you play the other four holes?"

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Twice Used

ONE of the pupils in an Aberdeen school had been chewing gum during class and the teacher asked him to throw it in the waste-paper basket. The boy was very much perturbed.

"Can I no hae it efter skule, miss?" he asked. "Ma brither only gi'ed it me for the morning."

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No Such Thought

A SCOTSMAN was relating an experience of hardship in the jungle.

"Ammunition, food and whisky had run out," he said. "We were parched with thirst."

"Was there no water?" asked a listener.

"Och aye, but it was no time to be thinking of cleanliness," replied the Scot.

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Why?

A TRUE golf story. I had been playing on a strange course.

After the round I asked the company to play the 15th. hole, of 210 yards. I suggested that it was too far for an iron, and too strictly guarded for wood.

Whereupon a pompous ass boomed: "My daughter is invariably over the green with a No. 2 iron." Whereupon an insignificant little man in the corner said very quietly: "Then why doesn't she take a No. 3?"

—James Agate, in the "Express."

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Waste Not

AFTER a very jolly evening, a Scotsman woke up the next morning with a nasty taste in his mouth. He saw his doctor, who said to him, "What's the matter with you? Put out your tongue."

The Scotsman's tongue was as black as ink.

"What have you been doing to get your tongue in this state?" asked the doctor.

"Well, I'll tell ye how it was," replied the Scot. "As I went hame las' nicht I drapped a bottle o' whisky—and they had juist re-tarred the road."

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Poor Chap

YOUNG Sandy boarded a tram at Partick Cross, carrying a big bundle of washing, and he took a penny fare. When he arrived at the stage point, the conductor shouted "Here ye are, laddie." Sandy replied, "Is ma penny up here? Can I no go to the next corner?" The conductor agreed to let him stay on, but when they reached the next corner, Sandy said, "Ah'm awful' sorry. It's the next corner Ah want. Ma bundle's sae heavy; will ye no let me stay on?"

When they arrived at the next road, the conductor was standing no more nonsense. Sandy made no move, so he shouted, "Ye're getting off here, laddie, an' no mistake," and, picking up the bundle he threw it into the roadway.

Young Sandy stood up and screamed, "Och, my puir brother."

THE WEATHER

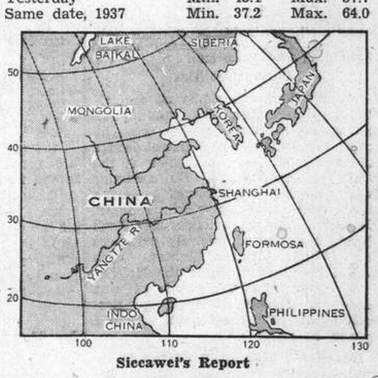
Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	48.5	Max.	56.0
Same date, 1937	Min.	43.0	Max.	63.0

Rainfall .32

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	48.4	Max.	57.7
Same date, 1937	Min.	37.2	Max.	64.0



Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 11th:—High and steady anticyclone over China, Korea and Japan. Moderate to fresh north-westerly to north-easterly monsoon along the China Coast. Cloudy and cold weather in China, with snow in the north.

State on the morning of the 12th:—Overcast and cold weather. Easterly breezes. Normal and falling pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Overcast weather with rain or snow getting colder with freshening south-westerly to north-westerly winds around Shantung. Overcast and variable with mist or even showers and south-easterly to north-easterly winds over our regions, owing to a low area crossing Kiangsi east-north-eastward. Overcast with mist or drizzle and easterly to variable winds over the Eastern Sea and Formosa.—Siccawei Observatory.

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In Memory of Miss A. Z. Davies:—

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Soviet-Japan Tension Eases Slightly

Tokyo Press Reports Decision to Commence Parleys in Moscow for "Modus Vivendi" over Fishing Rights; Undercurrent of Strain Seen

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

STRAINED relations between Japan and the U.S.S.R. over Japan's fishery rights in the Soviet's northern Pacific waters are believed to have eased somewhat during the past 24 hours. Japanese press reports today state that during an interview yesterday afternoon between Mr. Shigenori Togo, Japanese Ambassador in Moscow, and M. Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, it was mutually agreed to open negotiations with the object of reaching a new "modus vivendi" regarding the fishing rights, to replace the existing one, which expires on December 31.

An undercurrent of tension continues, however, and certain Japanese circles consider that war between Japan and Russia is a distinct possibility unless an agreement is concluded renewing Japan's rights in the matter. These rights were originally secured by the Treaty of Portsmouth (1905), by which the Russo-Japanese War of 1904-5 was brought to a conclusion. Recently each side has been accusing the other of violation of the Treaty.

The Soviet's accusation, which has aroused deep irritation in official Japanese quarters, is based on Japan's alleged violation of the provision that not more than fifteen Japanese soldiers are to be stationed along each mile of the South Manchuria Railway. Japanese quarters admit the charge, but justify the stationing of more troops than the number stipulated on the ground that the establishment of Manchoukuo as an "independent State," and the conclusion of the "Japan-Manchoukuo Defence Protocol," have completely altered the situation, making the Soviet complaint absurd.

Furthermore, the Soviet's "dilatory tactics" in dealing with the fishery question are believed in Tokyo to be in the nature of a reprisal for Manchoukuo's failure to complete payment of the purchase price of the Chinese Eastern (North Manchuria) Railway.

According to Japanese quarters, the arrears, which they claim amount to only £6,000,000, are not being met because of the Soviet's refusal to recognize Manchoukuo counter-demands.

War Danger Not Excluded

The seriousness of the situation may be gauged from the tenor of official Japanese pronouncements, notably the one recently made by General Hideki Tojo, Vice-Minister of War, in which he emphasized the necessity of Japan being ready to fight Russia while still engaged in her campaign in China.

This particular pronouncement was followed a few days later by another in which the Foreign Office, in a strongly-worded declaration, said that settlement of the fishery question was "essential for the preservation of normal Soviet-Japanese relations and consequently of the peace of East Asia."

"Countless instances of the Soviet's unfriendly attitude," as a Japanese writer puts it, are said to have occurred, the list alleged to include:

1. Refusal of the Soviet authorities to vise the passports of Japanese officials and private persons, notably Captain Minoru Maeda, who was consequently unable to go to Moscow to take up his appointment as Naval Attache to the Japanese Embassy.

2. Various "outrages" against Japanese residents in Soviet Russia, particularly the refusal of the Soviet authorities to allow the unloading of a consignment of rice intended for the Japanese Consulate-General at Vladivostock.

Changkaofeng Ignominy

Of far greater importance and seriousness, however, is considered to be the help given by the Soviet to China's National Government, which the Japanese regard as being a grave impediment to the early conclusion of their campaign in China and to their repeatedly avowed purpose of "creating a new order in East Asia."

The Japanese have not forgotten Changkaofeng, and consider as an open flaunt to their pride the huge Red flag which the Soviet troops placed on the summit of that now-historic hill after the withdrawal of the Japanese forces to points west of the Tumen River.

The Soviet troops, Japanese reports allege, have been busily constructing fortifications in the Changkaofeng area, to which a steady stream of war supplies is said to be pouring.

The Soviet military authorities are also alleged to have substituted Russian regulars for the native troops formerly stationed in the border regions of Outer Mongolia.

How Japanese Feel

A typical review of the situation, as it appears to Japanese eyes, is given by the diplomatic correspondent of a Japanese newspaper:

"Since the Manchurian Incident of 1931, Japan (he says) has been criticized by various countries as a treaty-breaker, but it is overlooked that Soviet Russia has violated the Japanese-Soviet fishery convention and also occupied an area of 1,500,000 square miles.

"The most serious question now pending between the two countries is renewal of the Japanese-Soviet fishery convention, the term of which is to expire on December 28.

"The insincere attitude manifested by the Soviet authorities in the fishery negotiations at Moscow has excited the Japanese people, forcing the Government to explain before the eyes of the world the justice of the Japanese stand and at the same time to serve a warning to Soviet Russia.

"Japan's treaty rights to fish in the Soviet waters of the northern Pacific were secured by the Portsmouth Treaty of 1905 and again by the Russo-Japanese Fishery Agreement of 1907. To regulate the lawful application of the stipulations contained in the two accords, a basic fishery convention was signed in 1928. The basic treaty became void on December 31, 1936, when the term expired.

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Campaign Against Guerillas

Japanese Claim Victories In Lower Yangtze Delta; Chungking Optimistic

Further deterioration of China's anti-Japanese guerilla campaign, whose efficacy always has been minimized by the Japanese command in North, Central and South China, was claimed by a Japanese Army spokesman yesterday when he gave a detailed review of the recent guerilla situation along the lower Yangtze.

The loss of morale, disorganization and degeneration of guerillas into bandits were aggravated by the fall of the Wuhan cities and Canton. The spokesman alleged that the depradations of Chinese mobile units were fast alienating them from the populace, which feared pillage. Deterioration of the guerilla warfare was attributed to a lack of money.

Admitting the presence of 50,000 to 60,000 guerillas along the lower Yangtze, the spokesman claimed that three groups totalling 11,600 recently surrendered in the area between Shanghai and Lake Taihu.

The largest group comprised 10,000 men surrendered with their arms, which included 8,000 rifles and 450 machine guns, near Soochow.

Northern and western Shantung have been cleared of bandits and guerillas as a result of mopping-up operations by a Japanese detachment which distinguished itself at the battle of Nanking, according to field dispatches. In engagements from the summer to November 7,987 Chinese were slain and 62 taken prisoner by the Japanese detachment, which captured 3,721 pieces of various kinds of arms and 107,295 rounds of ammunition, the dispatches claimed.—Domei.

Optimism in Chungking

Chungking, Dec. 12.

A distinct feeling of optimism prevails in Chinese circles here, following reports of an alleged "more favourable turn in the international situation as regards China," as dispatches from London and Washington, it is considered, foreshadow more material assistance to China.

There is also a likelihood of the Powers adopting a stronger stand regarding the relation of Japan to their trade interests in China, it is considered.

Chinese circles, specially, are watching London, as it is generally considered here that the future policy of the British Government will have a tremendous bearing on the outcome of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

This affords a distinct contrast to the feeling of pessimism which prevailed here a month ago, when it was thought that China was "deserted by the Friendly Powers."

The Japanese advance in the north-west is being held up due to the unusually warm weather which has kept the Yellow River from freezing, according to Chinese reports received here today from north Shansi Province.

If the river were ice-bound, the reports explain, it would facilitate a Japanese crossing and also the transportation of mechanized units, artillery and supplies across the river.—Reuter.

Little Action in South

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Japanese commanders in south China today continued to fail to see concrete evidence of the much-publicized Chinese counter-attack on Canton, a survey of field dispatches relayed here from the Canton front indicated.

Decision to hurl eleven fresh divisions, along three routes converging upon the City of Rams, was reported to have been reached by the Chinese high command at a military conference to Lienhsien in northern Kwangtung province recently.

The strategy, asserted to have been adopted at this meeting, provided for the dispatch of five divisions towards Canton on the Canton-Hankow railway, while two wings, each comprising three divisions, were to launch an encircling movement, one from the West River area, the other from the Waichow sector to the east of Canton.—Domei.

S. Australian Premier Defeated

Labour Wins in Wakefield For First Time

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Adelaide, Dec. 12.

Returns in the by-election at Wakefield indicate a certain defeat for Mr. R. L. Butler, who resigned the Premiership of South Australia recently to seek election to the House of Representatives.

Polling took place yesterday.

Mr. Butler blamed bickering by the Federal Cabinet for his defeat.

Mr. Curtin, Federal Opposition Leader, who took part in the campaign, described the results as a "stinging rebuke for the Lyons-Earle Pare Ministry."

The seat had never been previously won by Labour.—Reuter.

U.S. Envoy Leaves For America

Chungking, Dec. 12.

The American Ambassador to China, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, departed today by car for Kunming, the capital of Yunnan, en route to Washington, where he will report to President Roosevelt on the latest situation in China.

The Chinese press attaches much importance to Mr. Johnson's departure.—Reuter.

Signing of U.S.-British-Canadian Treaties

Grouped about President Roosevelt in the historic East Room of the White House at Washington are plenipotentiaries and other British and Canadian officials who signed the reciprocal trade agreements between Great Britain, Canada and the United States. Left to right, front: Mr. A. E. Overton; Second Permanent Secretary of the British Board of Trade; Sir Ronald Lindsay, H.M. Ambassador to the United States; President Roosevelt; Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada and Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State. Behind are Mr. Francis By Sayre, of the U.S. Statement Department; Dr. O. D. Skelton, Canadian Under-Secretary of State; Mr. Charles Barnes, of the Trade Agreement Division of the U.S. State Department; and Sir Herbert Marler, Canadian Minister.

Paris Press Warns Fascist Italy

France Will Not Stand For "Blackmail" and Will Fight for Tunis

Paris, Dec. 12.

Strong warnings to Italy with regard to the inviolability of Tunis, are contained in the French press today.

"As far as Tunis is concerned, there is not one Frenchman now who would allow the least violation of our protectorate," says "Le Figaro." "Tunis is one of the most sacred things for which, if anyone dared to touch it, France, with one accord, would fight immediately."

If Italy, the paper declares, were to deny the validity of the 1935 accord and raise all sorts of new questions concerning the status quo in Africa and the Mediterranean, "we would regretfully have to tell her that when agreements already concluded no longer count, we see no reason to conclude new ones."

The "Excelsior" states that Il Duce is mistaken if he thinks the methods by which Herr Hitler changed the status of Central Europe for the benefit of Germany will enable him to change the status of the Mediterranean for the benefit of Italy.

To convince himself of this, the paper continues, Il Duce need only read the English papers.

"L'Oeuvre" states that France will not stand for the kind of "blackmail" which is being used against her. The nation, adds the paper, must stand immediately for all eventualities.—Reuter.

Japanese Put Pressure Upon Britain

Nine-Power Treaty Changes Or Arms Pact with Reich

Paris, Dec. 12.

"For quite some time, Japanese communications addressed to the Foreign Office have been couched in somewhat threatening terms," the London correspondent of "Le Figaro" reported today.

"Authoritative Japanese quarters here declare that it would be difficult for Japan to resist any longer the requests of Japanese military chiefs to transform the anti-Comintern Pact into a military alliance unless it be possible to achieve an improvement in the relations with Great Britain, which, in other words, means that Great Britain would be compelled to accept an important modification of the Nine-Power Treaty in favour of Japan and at the expense of the interests of Great Britain and the other signatories of the accord," the correspondent added.

"It is thus not surprising to note some apprehension in British circles revealed by official speeches made during the past few days."—Havas.

Japanese Threat to Foreign Shipping on Yangtze

Reports of Formation of New Company to Monopolize Trade Cause Concern in Local Circles.

REPORTS of the formation of a new Japanese shipping company to be known as the Yangtze River Steamship Company with headquarters in Shanghai, which, it is stated, aims at a Japanese monopoly of all river trade between here and ports on the Yangtze River, caused concern in local foreign shipping circles yesterday. According to the reports, the company held its first meeting at the Astor House Hotel on Saturday, when about 50 directors and a Chinese compradore, whose name was stated to be Pan, were appointed. The new company is to begin operations in January, 1939 and will maintain regular services to all ports with a fleet of sixteen vessels, the reports concluded.

It is reported that for the purpose of maintaining a shipping monopoly the Japanese have been contemplating such a step for many months, and these reports were confirmed to a certain extent by British shipping circles yesterday, who stated that they had heard of such a scheme but did not know when it would be put into practice.

A Subsidiary

Damage to British shipping interests in Shanghai will run into millions of dollars as the result of loss of trade if the Japanese are allowed to control the Yangtze shipping business, the "North-China Daily News" was informed yesterday by an official of a leading British firm, who added that until more was known about the new company no action could be taken.

It is believed in these circles that the new company is a subsidiary of the Japanese Central Development Co., which aims at monopolizing all trade within the area occupied by the Japanese forces and that it will proceed on the same lines as the China Inland Steam Navigation Co. which has secured a monopoly on all launch services in the Shanghai area to the exclusion of foreign competitors.

Foreign Interests

Chief among foreign firms to be affected, if the Japanese project is successful, will be Jardine Matheson & Co. and Butterfield & Swire, who, between them carry most of the freight and passengers destined for Yangtze ports. Both of these firms have millions of dollars invested in the Yangtze trade in ships, and buildings which are to be seen in every Yangtze port.

At the present time Jardine Matheson & Co. own a fleet of 12 steamships, which ply along the Yangtze trade routes, and these vessels, it is stated, would be forced off the river should the new Japanese company carry out its threat of monopolizing all trade. In addition to these vessels the British company possesses a river fleet of 10 tugs and launches and over 30 bulk oil and general cargo lighters.

Properties Burned Down

Property owned by the firm includes buildings at Chinkiang, where the godowns were burnt down by the Japanese forces, at Nanking, where the godowns are still occupied by the Japanese forces, and at Wuhu where Japanese soldiers are occuping a compound owned by the firm. Property and godowns are also owned at Kiukiang, Hankow, Changsha, Ichang, and Chungking.

River hulks and pontoons belonging to the firm are situated at Chinkiang, Nanking and Wuhu. The latter hulk and pontoon were burnt out during a Japanese air raid there. Others are situated at Kiukiang, Hankow and Changsha.

Little to Be Done Now

Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, whose Yangtze interests, are closely allied with those of Jardine Mathieson & Co., stated yesterday that the formation of the new company was a definite threat to British interests and that if it were put into operation their losses would be as great as those of the other British company.

It is felt, however, that until more is known about the Yangtze River Steamship Co., little can be done to protect British trade along the river, which has received a heavy blow since the Japanese occupation of all the major ports as far as Hankow. Their refusal to open the river for competitive trade has already been felt by local foreign firms, it was stated, and although efforts have been made, with some success, to ensure a fair deal of British shipping along the Lower reaches, the formation of such a company would be a tragic blow to any hopes of re-establishing British shipping in its former position.

U.S. Trade Policy Being Changed

Retaliatory Moves to Fight Discrimination By Japan, Reich Seen

London, Dec. 12.

Not the least of many matters under consideration in Washington is the adjustment of the American trade policy to the discriminatory practices of Germany and Japan, according to the Washington correspondent of "The Times" in an article published here today.

After analysing the situation vis-a-vis Germany, the correspondent says that, in Japan's case, no finding of discrimination against American trade has yet been made but evidence has piled up of a sort to make such a finding almost obligatory.

The whole movement of Japan's policy in Manchoukuo and China proper, he adds, is such as may compel action.

There is plenty of legal authority, continues the correspondent, for a retaliation of a more severe kind than has already been taken against Germany.

If this is decided upon, he declares, both Japan and Germany would be affected by the application of the provision which authorizes the President to exclude any or all articles from a discriminating country.

The correspondent adds that since retaliation is a double-edged weapon, its full use requires careful study and this is being given.—Reuter.

Count Ciano Will Visit Hungary

Budapest, Dec. 12.

Count Galeazzo Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, has accepted an invitation to attend a hunting party in Hungary this month extended by the Regent of Hungary, Admiral Nicholas Horthy.—Havas.

Polish Intimidation of Ukrainian Minority Fosters Nationalism

Creation of Carpathic Ukraine State within Czech Federation Aids Movement; German Help Expected

Warsaw, Dec. 11.

The revival of Ukrainian nationalism following the creation of an autonomous Carpathic Ukraine within the Czechoslovakian State, has roused bitter antagonism between the Polish Government and the Ukrainian minority in Poland.

This situation is made all the more obvious by the "intimidation measures" taken by the Polish authorities in various Ukrainian districts, and by the draft bill providing autonomy for the Polish Ukraine tabled in the Diet last Friday by the Ukrainian Deputy Wasyl Mudry.

The draft bill claims autonomy analogous to that granted the Carpathic Ukraine for the districts of Tarnopol, Lwow, Stanislawow and Luck with an autonomous Diet in Lwow; Ukrainian self-administration; recognition of the Ukrainian as well as Polish as official languages; and religious freedom for the Greek, Catholic and Orthodox Ukrainians.

Unity with Poland would then be maintained only for foreign affairs, national defence and the judiciary.

The Polish Diet will doubtlessly reject this project because 60 per cent. of the Deputies belong to the National Union (Government) Party, it was stated here today.

Nevertheless, much significance is attached to Deputy Mudry's project because it is held to be the materialization of the Ukrainians' increasing antagonism against Warsaw.

All Ukrainian parties, formerly at odds, are now united to fight the Polish Government for their common cause.

With the exception of Socialists in their ranks, they have all made it clear they would fight with the support of the Reich to gain their age-old dream of an independent, united Ukraine.

Polish authorities are proceeding with the "pacification" of Ukrainian districts. In several areas, Polish mounted border guards, "Kop," have carried out raids which have resulted in a casualty list of about fifteen Ukrainians killed and some 150 seriously injured.

Some Ukrainians were said to have had their arms or legs run through with bayonets.

Ukrainian quarters declared this evening that this "intimidation system" only strengthens Ukrainian nationalism.—Havas.

Firm London Stand Impresses Rome

Italian Press Climbs Down on Mediterranean And Anti-French Moves

London, Dec. 11.

No agreement upon the basis for the impending Anglo-Italian parleys to be held in Rome during Mr. Neville Chamberlain's visit, was reached by Lord Perth, British Ambassador, and Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, during their last interview.

It was also learned from authoritative quarters that Lord Perth voiced antagonism to the new Italian anti-French campaign.

Mr. Chamberlain is determined to refuse the grant of belligerency rights to Nationalist Spanish Generalissimo until the withdrawal scheme is fully carried out, it was stated this evening.

Signs of the Government's opposition to recognition of belligerency rights are seen in their refusal to allow shipping companies to be represented legally in the Maritime Court established by the Nationalists at Cadiz.

Burgos formed this Court especially to judge cases of seized cargoes and functions as though belligerency rights have been granted. Britain's refusal to allow legal representation before this tribunal is therefore interpreted as a refusal to recognize any fait accompli with regard to the belligerency problem.

"The Times" Attitude

The Burgos correspondent of "The Times" continues to favour the principle of belligerency rights being granted to the Nationalists, in a report published in that paper this morning.

The correspondent asserted that most of the neutral observers are of the opinion that a considerable improvement would result in the situation with the granting of belligerency rights, and stress the desire of the Nationalists to enlarge the basis of their friendships in Europe by establishing improved relations with Great Britain, while at present they are compelled to seek the exclusive friendship of their allies.—Havas.

Rome Much Impressed

Rome, Dec. 12.

Political circles here are somewhat concerned by the reaction of British public opinion to the Italian territorial claims, and do not wish to jeopardize at present the friendly relations re-established at considerable effort with Great Britain.

The press is adopting a more moderate tone, and limited its campaign today to Italy's desires in the Red Sea region, such as a revision of the Suez Canal status, and Rome's claims on Djibouti.

It seems that the press wishes to reassure Great Britain as to Italy's real aims, and to convince her that there is nothing unreasonable in Rome's aspirations or likely to threaten Britain's position in the Mediterranean.

According to observers here, Italy's leaders would like to see France directly or indirectly, admit the principle of a discussion of Italy's claims. Some differences are noted in Fascist quarters as some quarters declare that it is a matter of asking for a lot to receive a little, while others state that Italy's action extends quite far, and results from her desire to effect an expansion in the Mediterranean, which may be judged from ancient and recent facts and gestures by Fascism.—Havas.

Sir Robert Craigie at Gaimusho Again

British Trade in China Said Discussed

London, Dec. 12.

A report of a conversation between Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Japanese Foreign Minister, and Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador in Tokyo, has been received in London.

Reuter understands that the discussions were mainly concerned with the question of British trade in China, and that they will be continued.—Reuter.

New Soviet Commissar

Moscow, Dec. 11.

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. today appointed M. Lobanov to be People's Commissar of Kholkhoses and Cattle-Raising.—Havas.

London Fears New Nazi Coup

Speculation on Trends After Annexations of Memel And Danzig; Poland May Be Next Victim of Action

London, Dec. 12.

"WHILE the Mediterranean is being thrown into increasing disturbance by Italy's demands, which are preoccupying France, Herr Hitler is on the verge of a further movement in eastern Europe," declared Mr. Winston Churchill in a speech yesterday at Chingford, Essex. "We do not know," he stated, "in what direction it will take. Since Munich and the destruction of Czechoslovakia Hitler has had so many choices open. His trouble is which to take first: whether it should be Memel or Danzig; whether to stir up the Polish Ukrainians against Poland or the Transylvanian population against Roumania."

"None can tell," Mr. Churchill asserted, "but everything points to an early resumption of Nazi aggression, and no concerted resistance is being made against it." He added that he had never seen such division upon foreign policy in Great Britain in his lifetime. The country, he said, was deeply divided, and it was hampering the whole process of national defence.

The possibility of new German coups is discussed today in the "Daily Telegraph," which says that responsible opinion in London has been for some time reconciled to the probability that Germany will choose her moment to annex Memel.

Those responsible for advising on European developments, however, are said to be less concerned to discuss the fare of Memel than to estimate what successive coups will be attempted, and in what order.

It is recognized, the newspaper continuess, that the days of Danzig as a free state and free port guaranteed by the League of Nations have also practically ended.

A more interesting problem, it is felt, is the moment which Germany will choose to press for Polish consessions in the corridor, and whether these will precede, follow or coincide with German pressure for Polish concessions in the south.

Broadly, it is anticipated that Germany will push on, with the minimum delay, to extend and consolidate her ascendancy over the Danubian and Balkan areas while stimulating and supporting the resuscitated move for Ukrainian autonomy, an objective which could only be fully realized at great expense to Poland and Soviet Russia.

Strategically, however, it is judged that Germany will be unable to give impressive military support to the Ukrainian autonomy demands until she has fully established her ascendancy in the middle and eastern Danube area.

London is informed, proceeds the "Telegraph," that German army chiefs have been warned to be ready to support some fresh diplomatic action in February. In these circumstances, the Tunis agitation is being carefully appraised in London and Paris.—Reuter.

British Demarche Made Over Memel to Reich

Herr Hitler's Pledge at Munich Recalled

London, Dec. 12.

It is understood that the British Government have entrusted the British Charge d'Affaires in Berlin, Mr. George Ogilvie-Forbes, to approach the German Government and remind them of the existence of the status of Memel and the necessity that it be respected.

A similar demarche will be undertaken on behalf of the French Government by M. Robert Coulondre, the French Ambassador to Germany.

The British and French representatives will request Berlin to draw the attention of National-Socialists in Memel to the fact that this status is guaranteed by several foreign powers, and to warn them against any attempt to annex the Memel territory.

It is understood that London will remind Berlin of the declarations made by German leaders after the Munich agreement who stated that the list of the Reich's territorial claims in Europe was closed.—Havas.

Chilean Presidential Election Upheld

Snr. Pedro Aguirre Will Be Proclaimed on 'Xmas Eve

Santiago de Chile, Dec. 12.

The result of the recent Presidential election, when the Popular Front candidate, Senor Pedro Aguirre was elected, has been upheld by a special tribunal, which conducted an investigation following objections lodged by the defeated Right Coalition candidate.

Senor Aguirre will be proclaimed on December 24.

He succeeds the Liberal President, Senor Arturo Alessandri Palma, who assumed office on December 24, 1932.—Reuter.

Federal Reserve Bank Branches

Peiping, Dec. 12.

The Federal Reserve Bank of China is contemplating the establishment of branches at Paoting, Changteh in Honan, Tatung and Linfeng in Shansi, according to Chinese reports.

The issue of the small-denomination notes of one cent, two cents and five cents, which was to take place on December 3, has been postponed to the end of December because those already printed are said to be insufficient to meet the demand of the general public.—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8 11/16d. U.S.$ 16 1/32c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Dec. 12.

"Spot" silver advanced ½d. today, while "forward" remained unchanged from Saturday's levels.

	Dec. 10	Dec. 12
London spot	20d.	20½d.
" forward	19 7/16d.	19 7/16d.
" gold	148/11d.	148/10½d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.6728	$4.6715
One U.S. dollar	51.361d.	51.375d.

—Reuter.

Britain Must Be Ready to Fight

Sir Auckland Geddes Says Future War Will Be Won in Workshops

London, Dec. 12.

"Any war in the future is likely to be won or lost in workshops and factories," declared Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Defence during the Great War and formerly British Ambassador to the United States, in an interview with the "Observer" yesterday.

It was dangerous, he said, to talk of peace as a plaster which could be stuck in the face of Europe.

He urged all who sought peace to prepare for war mentally, morally, physically and materially. Only thus, he added, could we defend ourselves against any aggressors.

Sir Auckland Geddes described some of the problems of national service confronting himself and Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister of Civilian Defence, whom he has volunteered to help, and referred to the difference in strategic position today compared with twenty years ago.

Conscription Dangerous

"I do not believe," he said, "in conscription. By that I mean compulsory service in the overseas army. Inevitably it would diminish our naval and air effort, besides creating a sharp division in public opinion and weakening national morale.

"Sending a vast conscript force to the Continent would considerably reduce our available strength in other directions. In the event of another continental war, I hope that the Royal Air Force will be used predominantly, with small high-trained ground forces as auxiliaries."

With a national register organized on a regional basis, Sir Auckland Geddes continued, Great Britain would be ready in wartime to provide food and men for the A.R.P. services and anti-aircraft defences, to make munitions and aeroplanes, and to care for the sick and wounded.

Without an adequate register, he said, "we should have chaos. Our industrial requirements, in the event of war, will be much greater than they were in the Great War. Every effort will have to be made in this direction.

Men Behind the Navy

"I expect that we shall have to have at home, behind the Navy, over 1,000,000 men working in dockyards, shipyards, engineering shops, etc., to keep the Navy fully efficient and in repair and to build new ships required.

"There will probably be as many men needed to back the Air Force and keep it in the air, while behind the Army—where emphasis will rest on mechanized and high fire-power divisions—there must also be a colossal industrial effort.

"These tasks are far more important to the nation than the raising of vast conscript armies.—Reuter.

U.S. Ban on Exports Of All Arms Sought

Mr. Ludlow to Propose New Peace Machinery

Washington, Dec. 11.

Mr. Louis Ludlow, Democratic Representative of Indiana, announced today that he would present to Congress next year a Bill forbidding the export of U.S. arms and ammunition to any foreign "non-American" nation in peace as well as wartime.

Emphasizing the Far Eastern situation, Mr. Ludlow declared that the United States had to shoulder moral responsibility for the bombardments of civilian populations in China because they had delivered munitions to Japan.

Mr. Ludlow, it is recalled, proposed during the last session of Congress that a national referendum should be held to decide the country's attitude if a war should break out with the U.S. involved in it.—Havas.

German Jews to Find Homes in Africa

U.S. Bankers to Finance Rhodesia Settlements

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

The Hague, Dec. 12.

Representatives of the international Jewish Colonization Society here are leaving for Rhodesia and Uganda next week to inspect wide tracts of land offered for sale to provide homes for German-Jewish refugees.

Thanks to the support of European and American bankers, the Society has sufficient funds to buy a considerable area of territory in Africa.—Reuter.

"Unsinkable" Steamer Launched in U.S.

Quincy, Mass., Dec. 10.

A practically unsinkable steamer was launched here today in the presence of the U.S. Secretary of War, Mr. Harry Woodring.

The vessel is the property of the Ancon Line, displaces 10,000 tons, and will be affected to the New York-Panama run.

Technicians consider it of tremendous value in case of a war. Two other vessels of a similar type are at present under construction.—Havas.

Germans Claim Overwhelming Success at Memel Polls

Fuehrer of Memellanders Says Issue Now Up to Lithuanian Government; "We See a Rosy Future"

Memel, Dec. 12.

ALTHOUGH the official results of yesterday's elections for an autonomous Diet in Memel will not be known until next week-end, the headquarters of the German Party stated this morning that they believed they had secured 26 out of the 29 seats. Particular interest was roused by the categorical declaration that the Germans intended early in the new year to demand the annexation of the district to the Reich.

Voting was brisk at Memel and its suburbs and outlying villages, where by midday about half of the population had gone to the polls. When the polls closed, it was estimated by the German Party that 95 per cent. of the electorate had voted, which compares with 91.3 in 1935. There were 220 polling booths, which were open from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. No alcohol was sold until the booths closed.

Memel Germans were given badges to wear on leaving the booths. Each voter was required to put a cross beside 29 names.

Each of the five parties—one United German and four Lithuanian—had 29 candidates, and each party presented electors with a booklet giving details of their candidates, one candidate to a page.

Voters were allowed to put the whole booklet in the ballot box or make a list by selecting individual candidates.

The German Party secured 24 seats in the 1935 elections when Germans were not permitted to circulate electioneering propaganda.

No incidents were reported during the polling.

The Nazi leader, Dr. Ernst Neumann, appealed for discipline among his followers on the eve of the elections in a speech at Heydekrug, six miles from the German frontier.

All over Memelland uniformed Neumann Guards, whose uniform, but for the colour and the absence of the Swastika, is the same as that of the Reich Storm Troopers, did guard duty.—Reuter.

"We See a Rosy Future"

Memel, Dec. 11.

"We see a rosy future ahead," Herr Ernst Neumann, Fuehrer of the Germans in Memel, told Havas today in a special interview.

"The elections will prove a great victory for us, but they will not mark the end of our battle," he continued. "We will keep on the road that we have set for ourselves."

Herr Neumann added that the evolution of the whole Memel problem depended above all upon the Lithuanian Government.

"We will not make any proposal.—It is up to the Kaunas Government to pass from vain promises to actions in order to fulfill all obligations and suppress all those measures, still existing, which are in contradiction to the status of autonomy given to us.

"It is a matter, above all, of the establishment of a State Police and the definitive suppression of the law upon the protection of the State which is even now only a mere formality."

Herr Neumann stressed the patience shown by the Germans of Memel, but he asserted that after today's elections, German Deputies in the Landstag will refuse to take the oath of fidelity as they did last time. He voiced the hope that the Kaunas Government would not demand this oath of the German Deputies.

No Immediate Changes

Well-informed circles here believe no important change should be expected as an immediate consequence of the Memel elections.

German authorities in Memel, they added, consider that the Kaunas Government should take the initiative of improving the situation in Memel territory. The meeting of the Landstag should be awaited.

The decision which would bring about an essential change in the situation of Memel in respect to Lithuania and Germany will not be taken in Memel but in Berlin, and the exact date of such a decision will naturally depend upon the state of the relations between the two interested Governments and the European situation.—Havas.

Big Reich-Rumania Trade Pact

Germany to Have Oil, Maize for Barter of Manufactured Goods

Bucharest, Dec. 12.

After forty days' negotiations, an important trade agreement has been concluded between the Rumanian Government and the German trade delegation which arrived here early last month.

The treaty will be retroactive from October 1, and will remain in effect until October 1, 1939. It contains a commercial clearing agreement and, in principle only, prolongs the treaty which recently expired, but with certain modifications.

The volume of trade between the two countries will be increased to a total of £15,000,000, but no money will change hands.

Goods will be exchanged on the barter system.

Financial circles estimate that, under the agreement, one-half of Rumania's total imports will come from Germany while one-third of her exports, including 25 per cent. of Rumania's oil, will go to Germany.

Germany has agreed to take 200,000 tons of maize, and will supply Rumania with manufactured goods, including machinery.

Meanwhile, it is understood that the Rumanian Government has protested against German press and radio attacks against its drive on the Fascist Iron Guard movement, which, until the last moment, had threatened to lead to a rupture of the trade discussions.—Reuter.

Plans of Re-Opening Exchanges Denied

Contemplated Co-operation of French Interests Claimed

Wild rumours to the effect that Chinese exchange merchants had sent a petition to the French Consul-General to be given permission to put the various local exchanges under French management, were emphatically denied by the French authorities yesterday afternoon.

In Chinese reports concerning the impending opening of these exchanges in Shanghai, it was stated that some French interests had assured Chinese exchange merchants of their co-operation and that a petition had recently been sent to the French Consular authorities under the names of the French partners, asking for approval of the plan. The French Consul-General, however, denied yesterday afternoon that such a petition had ever been received or heard of.

After having secured the approval of the French authorities, Chinese reports continue, another petition would be dispatched to Chungking although considerable difficulty would probably be encountered in getting permission from the National Government inasmuch as its regulations stipulate that only one exchange of a kind is to be tolerated in Shanghai.

Although closed, the various exchanges in this city would thus be deemed in existence by the Chinese authorities, the closure being considered of a temporary nature owing to changed conditions and as the various exchanges in this city have not as yet been dissolved by the Government.

Narcotics Maker Sent To Prison

Used Foreign Residence As Factory

Charged with manufacturing narcotics, Zung Chun-chuen was sentenced to three years' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court. Zung was the leader of a large narcotic ring which was broken up by the Settlement police three years ago.

Zung's narcotics plant had been in existence in a house in Rue Bourgeat in the early part of 1935. It was later moved to the servants' quarters of the Lucerne Road residence of Mr. P. S. Hopkins, former president of the Shanghai Power Company, where six men were arrested and convicted later in court. The crime was committed during Mr. Hopkins' absence on furlough.

The accused fled to Hankow. He recently arrived here only to be arrested by a Chinese detective near Foochow Road. He denied the charge, but the strong evidence produced by the police convinced the judge of his guilt.

Inquest Opened on British Subject

An inquest was opened by Mr. I. T. Morris, H.M. Coroner, at the Kiaochow Road Municipal Mortuary yesterday afternoon on the body of Salim Hyeem Levy, British subject, aged about 40, of 815 Avenue Road who was discovered lying dead at about three o'clock the same morning.

After formal evidence of identification by Ezekiel Myer, in charge of the Jewish Cemetery at 724 Baikal Road, the enquiry was adjourned until Friday at 10 a.m. Levy had been unemployed for some time.

Lithuanian Government Prepares for Fight

Extraordinary Decree to Uphold State Issued

Kaunas, Dec. 12.

An extraordinary decree "for the protection of the State" has been promulgated by the Lithuanian Government.

It applies to the town of Kaunas and the surrounding district.

The decree is the sequel to anti-Government disturbances on the part of the Right Wing opposition movement, several of whose politicians are reported to have been arrested.

An official explanation of the order, which will be in force for six months, emphasizes that the activity of the extreme Right opposition might be used on behalf of a foreign country and, therefore, might be dangerous to the integrity of Lithuania.

The Minister of Interior announces that persons who cause political disturbances will be liable to exile, work in labour camps or prison.—Reuter.

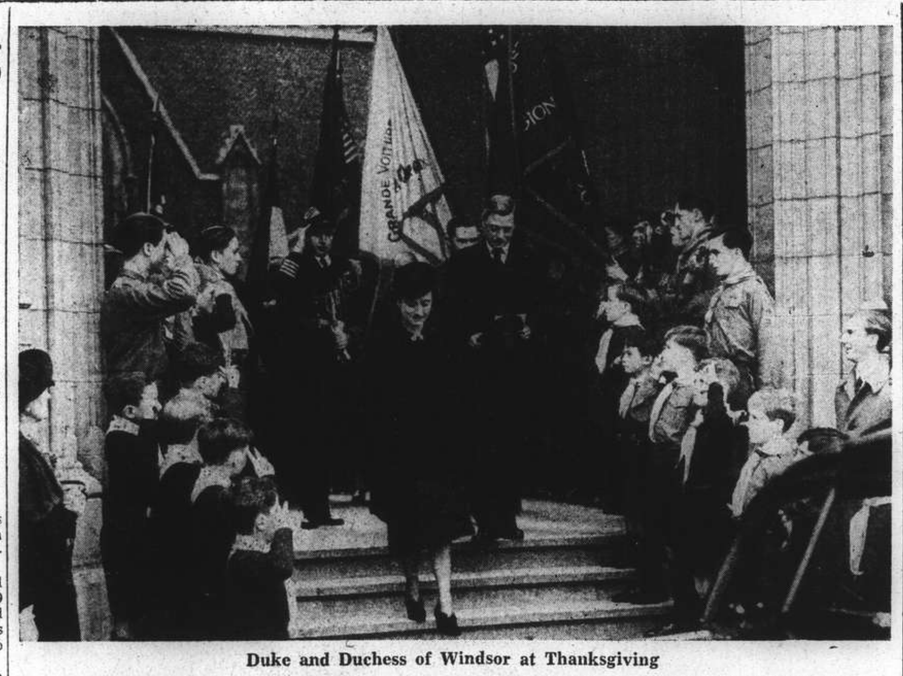
Chinese Involved in Forgery Sentenced

Rich Customer of Bank Robbed of Large Sum

Convicted of having obtained a part of the $50,000 fraudulently drawn out from the Shanghai office of the National City Bank of New York, two Chinese employees of the bank, Liu Yoeh-hsien and Wang Kung-mou, were sentenced to six months' and three months' imprisonment respectively by the First Special District Court yesterday.

The big forgery is alleged to have been committed by a third Chinese employee of the bank named Hu Chi-feng, who is believed to have fled to an outport. By forging the signature of a rich customer of the bank named Chang, Hu is alleged to have cashed several cheques and absconded.

Before carrying out his plan he consulted the two accused, each of whom received several hundred dollars from him. The crime was discovered on November 23 when Mr. Chang came to the bank to investigate after his servant had failed to cash a cheque signed by himself. There was not enough money to meet his wish and his suspicions were at once aroused.



Duke and Duchess of Windsor at Thanksgiving

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor who attended the Thanksgiving service at the American Church in Paris leaving the Church after the service

Recovery in U.S. Grows Steadily

Industrial Output In November Marks General Increases

Washington, Dec. 11.

Industrial production in the United States during the month of November was double that of the average in 1925, the official publication of the Federal Reserve Board revealed today.

November's figures also compared favourably with those for the month of October, when production was only 96 per cent. more than 1925's monthly average.

Production of steel, motor cars and textiles were chief articles to show substantial increases.

Meanwhile, bank notes in circulation during November went above the $6,700,000,000 mark, a record reached once before. The increased money circulation was attributed to increased salaries, relief rolls and shipments of American currency abroad during the recent European crisis.

American banks sent out $15,000,000 in notes of $50 and $100 during September and another $11,000,000 during October.

Gold holdings broke all records, rising to approximately $14,500,000,000 and therefore showing an increase of $2,000,000,000 on the figure of April 15, 1938.

Bank accounts also shattered the record set at the end of 1936, totalling more than $21,600,000,000.—Havas.

Solicitations by Bogus Telegraph Messengers

Public Warned of Fraud; One Man Arrested

Cases of fraudulent solicitation by Chinese dressed in the green uniforms of the Chinese Telegraph Administration are being investigated by the Settlement Police, who have already arrested and prosecuted one such solicitor.

The "racket" is perpetrated by persons wearing genuine messengers' uniforms and badges and presenting letters "authorizing" them to collect subscriptions in behalf of employees of the Telegraph Administration who suffered losses in the 1937 hostilities. Actually the solicitors are collecting money for themselves, and the uniforms and badges they wear are uniforms and badges which former employees failed to return to the Administration.

Owing to the proportions which this fraud has attained in recent weeks, the Police are anxious that the public be on their guard against it and ask that they notify the nearest police station of any instances which may occur.

Shanghai Architecture Interests Japanese

Inquiries Made Into Sub-Soil's Nature

Shanghai, East Asian melting-pot of humanity, is also a vast conglomeration of all types of architecture, Prof. Hisao Yamashita, of the Tokyo Imperial University, believes after study of various buildings.

A visit to Shanghai, he told the Japanese press, is tantamount to a short trip around the world insofar as architecture is concerned.

Prof. Yamashita also made a study of the Shanghai sub-soil, which he believes has never been seriously undertaken here because of the fact that Shanghai is free from earthquakes.

From geological data Prof. Yamashita was said to have established that the present site of Shanghai probably was a densely-wooded strip of land which was silted down by Yangtze mud.

The depth of alluvial soil, poured over this wooded area, is now about 100 feet. The prehistoric strip of woodland still forms the demarcation between soil, brought by the river, and the original sand below, he was reported to have said.

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Robot Planes Built for U.S. Army

New York, Dec. 12.

Six robot planes controlled by wireless, able to fly for a half an hour without a crew and land upon a given signal, will be placed into service by the United States Army next summer. They will be used in gunnery exercises both by artillery and anti-aircraft units.—Havas.

Mr. Hidaka Leaves For Tokyo

Former Japanese Consul-General's Goodbye

Ending an eight and a half months term of office as Japanese Consul-General here, Mr. Shinrokuro Hidaka left Shanghai by air for Tokyo early yesterday morning. He is due for appointment as director of the Bureau of Economic Affairs of the projected Asia Development Board, central Japanese governmental agency for dealing with Chinese affairs.

On Sunday evening, Mr. Hidaka rounded out a series of social functions as he was honoured at a farewell dinner by the Japanese community at the Japanese Club, Boone Road. More than 400 persons attended.

High tribute was paid Mr. Hidaka by Mr. Masusaburo Amano, president of the Japanese Residents' Corporation, for his able handling of various problems that confronted the Japanese community following the hostilities in Shanghai. Three rousing banzai ended the function.

Mrs. Hidaka will leave Shanghai in the ss. Taiyo Maru sailing for Kobe at 9 o'clock on Friday morning.

Local Dairy Imports 50 Cattle from N.Z.

Valuable Live-Stock Unloaded Yesterday

With the arrival yesterday aboard the ss. Sydney Maru of 50 Jersey Cows, the Lucerne Dairy Farm has resumed the import of New Zealand heifers which had to be interrupted when hostilities broke out hear last year. The cattle which had to be unloaded on a specially-built platform fitted with screens on both sides which would prevent their shying at the sight of motorcars and people, left Auckland on November 17.

With this addition to their present herd, the Lucerne Dairy Farms have opened a branch dairy on Lincoln Avenue where the old herd is to be kept in future whilst the Great Western Road dairy will house young stock and the newly arrived animals.

In reply to a question, the manager of the Dairy, said that the New Jersey cows are by far the most suitable for Shanghai as they do not suffer from the local climate and heat whilst the risk of infection from contagious diseases is far smaller in view of the isolated geographical position of New Zealand.

The question of elimination of the danger of tuberculosis is one of the main factors of the Lucerne Dairy Farms policy and it is in view of this fact, added to the desire on the part of the management of the Lucerne Dairy, to give its customers the very best milk, cream and other dairy products available, that New Jersey cows are being imported from distant New Zealand. It is also the reason for having established a tuberculine tested herd, and obtained from the Shanghai Municipal Council the highest "A" (T.T.) grading for their products.

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Quiet Restored in Tunis

Italian Claims Said To be "Huge Bluff"; Frontiers Guarded

Tunis, Dec. 12.

All citizens have now responded to the call of the Resident-General for calm following recent demonstrations against Italy's claims.

A resolution signed by members of the Tunis ex-Service Men's Association was handed to a French regiment here, protesting against the Italian claims, and emphasizing the unity of France with Tunisia.

Jews in Tunis are opposed to any change in the administration of Tunis, as they fear ill-treatment from the Italians. Jewish children have already been expelled from local Italian schools.

No further incidents are expected unless definite provocation is given, and the authorities have taken all the necessary measures to preserve peace. The police are sufficient to meet any emergency, the local strength having been increased by Gardes Mobiles from Algeria and Spahis, which are native mounted gendarmerie under civil control, from Oudjak.

On the frontier facing Tripoli is an army corps behind a "Maginot" line regarded as impregnable, of massed barbed wire and aviation camps, beyond which is mountainous, arid country. In addition, a seaboard line has been prepared for any contingency.

Many sections of the community describe Italy's claims as a "huge bluff."—Reuter.

Italians Quiet in Djibouti

Aden, Dec. 12.

According to reports from Djibouti, all Italians there have ceased frequenting public places, except the Fascist headquarters, following instructions from the Italian Consul.—Reuter.

Yunnan Takes Steps to Check Price Rise

Hongkong, Dec. 12.

Alarmed by a 60 per cent. rise in the price of commodities, following a mass influx of refugees and the congestion of communications facilities, the Yunnan provincial authorities have taken steps to curb this tendency, a report from Kunming said today.

Commercial organizations in the province have been directed to standardize their prices, while banks were warned against permitting a situation to develop that may react unfavourably upon credit facilities.—Domei.

Chinese Charged with Murder

Sequel to Quarrel Over Marriage Plan

Charged with murder Hsu Kwan-chuan was sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court in connection with the fatal chopping with an axe of a male relative of his go-between just before his marriage to a widow. The crime was committed on November 23. Hsu was also sentenced to pay $3,840 to the widow of the deceased.

The murder was committed in Robison Road where Hsu was to have married a Mrs. Chen who fled to Shanghai some months ago from Wusih as a refugee following the death of her husband. Having accepted the marriage proposal from Hsu, she asked for a wedding gift. They disagreed on some points as to the quality of the gift and the sum of money to be spent. In a quarrel the woman is alleged to have boxed Hsu's ear.

Hsu blamed Chien Chian-ching, one of the go-betweens for the trouble and after gathering about him several friends he went to Chien's home to start another brawl in which Chien's relative Wang Shan-dai was fatally chopped with an axe. The police are still looking for Hsu's accomplices. For the arrest of Hsu the credit goes to officers attached to the Pootoo Road Police Station.

Everybody's Welcome at S.P.C. Xmas Afternoon

Today from 2.30 until 5 o'clock the Home Service department of the Shanghai Power Company is holding a lighting and Christmas gift suggestion demonstration to which consumers of Shanghai Power Company electricity are invited. Mrs. Bingo Woodhouse will use the various appliances before guests, illustrating the advantages of electricity for toast and waffle making, "perking" coffee, grilling sandwiches and between-meal snacks. Besides the appliances demonstrated, a medley of electrical Christmas suggestions will be on display, curling irons for high-piled curls, hair driers, conveniences for drying everything from the family pet to baby's diapers, electric clocks which never stop, emersion heaters, electric pads and blankets, tea kettles and all kinds of lamps from "better sight" to purely ornamental.

Mr. K. Y. Wong, of the Lighting division, will explain and illustrate the right and wrong of home lighting; what care now means to your child's future, how light affects your nerves and is often consequent upon your everyday actions and general mental outlook. This is the S.P.C.'s Merry Christmas afternoon. All consumers are cordially invited—the time from 2.30 until 5 p.m.—the place 181 Nanking Road in their 6th floor auditorium.

Mt. Asama Erupts

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Mount Asama erupted for the second time within the past ten days when the volcano near the Karuizawa summer resort staged a spectacular outburst at 6.30 o'clock yesterday evening. Flames rocketed against the darkened sky to the accompaniment of heavy rumblings. Authorities were investigating the possibilities of damage to the neighbouring area.—Domei.

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Export of Chinese Goods Encouraged

Remission of Taxes on Some Articles

In order to encourage the export of native goods the Chinese government is now reported to be drafting a set of regulations governing the exemption of the export tax on goods that usually enjoy a good market in foreign countries.

The Government is pushing the sale of native goods in foreign countries in order to obtain foreign goods necessary for developing domestic industries. As a preliminary step towards carrying out the scheme important goods to be exported have been brought under the control of official firms. Wood oil and tea half into this category, it is stated.

The Native Goods Examination Committee has been formed by the Government for the purpose of improving the quantity of them and of distinguishing them from Japanese goods. Native goods must be certified before they can be sold in the interior.

State Control Advocated

Chungking, Dec. 12.

State control of Chinese export and import trade is advocated today in a leading article in the "Central Daily News," the official organ of the Chinese Government.

The article suggests that the scope of activities of the present Trade Commission of the Ministry of Finance be extended to include state control of China's export and import trade.

The Commission, continues the paper, is at present assisting in the export of tea, wood-oil, silk and wool.

The article considers that state control of export and import is not only a necessary war measure but is in accordance with present day world tendencies, and mentions Russia, Germany an Spain at examples.—Reuter.

BUCHAREST will soon have a Japanese fine arts museum to the erected under instructions of the Rumanian Government by Colonel Ghaglesco, author of the book, "Yamato Damashii (The Spirit of the Japanese People)," it was reported in Tokyo. The Colonel is planning to house the museum in a typical Japanese building at his own expense.

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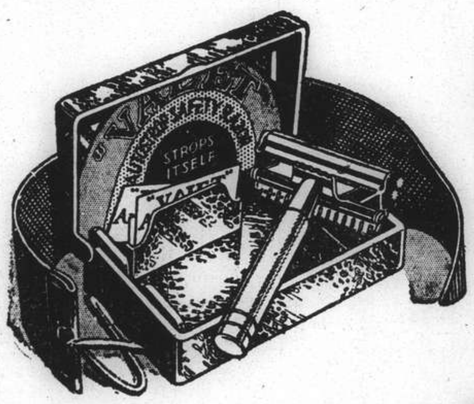

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FROM DAY TO DAY

AMONG passengers sailing for Japan yesterday in the Empress of Canada, was Mr. H. E. Middleton, of the S.M.C. Finance Department.

MR. George J. McCarthy Oriental Passenger Traffic Manager of the American President Lines, left for Japan yesterday in the Empress of Canada.

LADY L. Dalton was among the passengers who arrived here in the P. & O. ss. Chitral. Another passenger in the same vessel was Lady Stuart.

MAJ.-GEN. A. P. D. Telfer Smollett, Commanding the British Forces in Shanghai, and Mrs. Telfer-Smollett left for Kobe yesterday in the Empress of Canada.

MR. and Mrs. J. C. Finch arrived in Shanghai from Hongkong in the ss. Chitral, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Drew and Mr. and Mrs. E. Jacob also arrived from London in the same ship.

MR. Reginald Sweetland, Far Eastern Correspondent of the "Chicago Daily News," accompanied by Mrs. Sweetland and their son, left Shanghai yesterday for Chicago by the Empress of Canada.

THE winner of the boy's prize for the sweet-guessing competition at the Union Church Fun Fair was A. B. Bowles. He can collect his prize from Mrs. W. C. Scott, 68 Peking Road, telephone 19983.

SIR George Sansom, Commercial Counsellor of the British Embassy in Tokyo, left by the Empress of Canada for Yokohama yesterday returning to his post after a short visit to Shanghai. He was accompanied by Lady Sansom.

THE Japanese Premier, Prince Ayamaro Konoye, who has been confined to bed with influenza, was reported to be on his way to recovery. His normal temperature has been restored. The Premier will resume his duties within the next few days, it was announced.

THE next meeting of the Rotary Club of Shanghai, to be held Thursday, December 8th, at 12.30 p.m. at the Metropole Hotel, 1st Floor, will be a closed meeting, for the initiation of new members, and for the discussion of various Rotary matters. Rotarians from other cities visiting in Shanghai, will be most welcome.

"SOME Social Observations Abroad in 1938," will be the subject on the regular Tuesday evening lecture programme at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. tonight. The speaker is Miss E. M. Hinder, whose keen observations and experience in the industrial and social field assure members and friends of a worth while evening.

ON Wednesday, December 21, The Shanghai Zionist Association "Kadimah" will hold its 19th annual Hanuccah Ball at the Cercle Sportif Francais. It promises to be one of the most outstanding and distinguished balls of the season. An interesting programme will be given with the collaboration of the best artists of the local opera, light opera and ballet dancers. The net proceeds of the Ball will be divided between the Jewish National Fund and the local Jewish Educational Aid Society Reservation of tables to be made with the Secretary of the Cercle Sportif Francais or by Tel. 10082.

Youthful Stowaways Back in Shanghai

Journey to Mexico Ends In Kobe Detention Cells

George Eugen Petroff, 17, Henry Emanuel Kremla, 16, and Teddy Connell, 15, were amongst those who arrived in the ss. Suwa Maru, when that ship entered port from Japan yesterday after their intended trip to Mexico as stowaways in one of the lifeboats of the ss. Anna Maersk, ended behind the bars of a detention cell in Kobe.

"We had a lot of fun," said one of the youngsters, and had hoped to enter Mexico, where we had been told, many Russians had settled and were doing well. Had it not been for the storm which the ss. Anna Maersk encountered between Shanghai and Japan, I dare say that we would have reached our destination."

Cordell and Petroff both claim British nationality whilst Kremla is said to be a Czechoslovakian. He also has the distinction of being the only member of the trio ever to have worked before.

Asked as to what they were going to do, now that they found themselves back in Shanghai, the boys agreed that they would look for jobs, although they thought it hopeless to find any. They said that they were going to sleep on launches tied up along the Bund, as they had done prior to undertaking their adventurous journey which was to land them where they had started.

Upon their arrival the Japanese Consular Police received them at the wharf but the boys were released soon afterwards, being given $1 each "to keep them out of getting into further trouble."

Platinum Coins Offered As "Safe Deposit"

New York Broker Suggests New Form of Investment

New York, Dec. 11.

An advertisement in a Wall Street financial paper offers to investors, in units of U.S.$1,000, platinum discs "readily convertible to cash in this or any other country."

Mr. G. Gilbert, a platinum broker who inserted the advertisement, described the discs as "a little chubbier than a 50-cent. (U.S.) piece. For one thing, platinum never wears out, and it is a very beautiful element."

The discs weigh an ounce piece and are worth about U.S.$33 each.

Asked why the discs are limited to amounts at U.S.$1,000 in value, he replied, "We don't like to sell less than U.S.$1,000 worth."

"Platinum is easily resaleable, it doesn't deteriorate and it is an ideal safe deposit security," he said.

"And there are only five world sources; Canada, Soviet Russia, South Africa, Colombia and Alaska. If there is a disturbance in any of these countries the market price will be affected."—United Press.

Inquest on Miss J.M. Martin Opens

Enquiry Adjourned After Identification; Fall from Roof of Hospital

Formal evidence of identification only was heard when the inquest was opened by Mr. I. T. Morris, H.M. Coroner, on the body of Miss Jean McLean Martin, matron of the Shanghai Municipal Police Hospital, who, as reported in the "North-China Daily News," was killed on Sunday morning as the result of a fall from the roof of the Police Hospital building in Ward Road, adjoining the Ward Road jail.

The body was identified by Miss Ethel Louise Warren, Senior Matron of the S.M.C. Nursing Staff, who added that she had known deceased for over 16 years. The enquiry was then adjourned until Saturday at 10 a.m.

Miss Martin, who was a native of Scotland and formerly on the staff of the Municipal Isolation Hospital, had lived in Shanghai for many years. She met her death at about 10 a.m. and her body was taken from the pavement where she had fallen and placed in a Fire Brigade ambulance which conveyed her to the General Hospital. Upon arrival there she was pronounced dead and her body was taken to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors in Kiaochow Road where yesterday's inquest was opened.

At a recent presentation held at H.M. Consulate-General, Miss Martin was honoured for her services during the hostilities last year when she was admitted to the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in the Grade of Serving Sister. On behalf of H.M. Government the presentation of the award was made by Sir Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General who paid a remarkable tribute to Miss Martin's work during the fighting.

More Soviet Munitions Coming to China

Opening of New Route May Further Increase Supply

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Strengthening of two arms routes have increased shipments of Soviet munitions into China, while a third artery is nearing completion, a report reaching here from Suiyuan, capital of Suiyuan province, said today.

Larger quantities of Soviet arms and ammunition are coming through Urga, capital of Outer Mongolia. This route, it was explained, starts from Uranude on the Siberian Railway line at the eastern shore of Lake Baikal running southward to Urga and through the western section of Outer Mongolia. The other route goes through the Sinkiang province.

A much shorter route will be made available when the railway line from the Soviet Union-Outer Mongolia frontier to Urga is completed by the end of this year. This route is expected further to increase arms traffic because of the geographical advantage over the one through Sinkiang, the report said.—Domei.

Painting the buildings of the New York World's Fair 1939, which is being carried out in a plan folloing the tints of the rainbow, wlil require a total of 200 tons of pigment.

Tiny Tot Places Tribute on Cenotaph

A little girl laying a tribute on the Cenotaph in Whitehall as she passed by in the long pilgrimage which followed the two minutes' silence after the Armistice Day ceremony. Thousands passed by adding their tokens of remembrance to this monument to Britain's war dead.

Hong Owner Shot for Vengeance

Aggressor Apprehended by Former Russian Auxiliary

Shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. Li Yong-zeng, the owner of a transportation business in the French Concession, was fired upon and injured in the neck when three bullets found their mark. His assailant was arrested by a former member of the Concession's Russian auxiliary regiment, who was passing the scene at the time.

Mr. Li was waiting for a bus at the corner of Avenue Edward VII and Rue Chu Pao San, when a Chinese, dressed in a long gown, approached him, levelled his weapon and fired. Li, hit in the neck, fell to the ground, but upon being examined at the St. Marie's Hospital in Rue Pere Robert, his injuries were not believed to be of a serious nature.

It has definitely been established that there is no political signifigance to the daring shooting and it is believed that the aggressor is a former employee of the victim. French Police are investigating the case.

Perpetrator of Hoax in Lindbergh Case Dies

Gaston B. Means Was Serving Sixteen-Year Sentence

Springfield, Dec. 12.

Gaston B. Means, former Secret Service agent serving a sixteen-year sentence for the Lindbergh ransom hoax, died today, as a result of heart failure, aggravated, according to his doctor, by an operation which he underwent on December 6.

Means was sentenced in June, 1933, for extorting the equivalent of £20,000 sterling from the wife of the publisher of the "Washington Post," by a promise to produce the abducted Lindbergh baby.

He told a sensational story at the trial, professing to know the names of the actual kidnappers. He mentioned many high officials in connection with the affair.—Reuter.

Kuling Evacuees to Be Protected

The Japanese naval spokesman stated yesterday that Chinese troops entrenched near Maoshan, above Wuhu, had fired at the U.S.S. Luzon and the Amiral Charnier on their way to Shanghai. As the Omi Maru, bringing Kuling refugees to Shanghai, had left Kiukiang without an escort, the Japanese Navy had sent a convoy from Wuhu, which would be at Maoshan before the refugees. The men-of-war would see to it that the Chinese troops injured no one in the Omi Maru.

Smallpox Prevalent in Whole of Shanghai

Total Number of Deaths From All Causes Declines

A total of 182 cases of smallpox have been reported to the Health Departments of the International Settlement and the French Concession in the week ending December 10. Of these, thirteen were foreigners. In all 59 persons, three of whom were foreigners, died of the disease during the week.

Only two cases and one death were reported from the Concession whilst the rest occurred in the Settlement. In Hongkew, a case a day has been reported from amongst the Japanese living there, for the first ten days in December and every effort is being made to prevent the spreading of the decease.

In all, 63 cases of tuberculosis were reported for both the Concession and the Settlement during the week—37 deaths were reported. The only foreign case was reported from the Concession.

Beri-beri is sharply on the decline, only 21 cases having been reported to the health authorities of the Settlement and two in the Concession.

Foreign deaths from all causes during the week under review, totalled thirteen, whilst 1,491 Chinese died from various diseases.

FUNERALS

Miss A. Z. Davies

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon of Miss Amelia Zita Davies, assistant Matron of the Municipal Police Hospital, whose death occurred at the Country Hospital on Friday evening. Requiem Mass was celebrated in the Church of Christ the King in the morning, Father Sansoucy officiating. Interment took place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery in the afternoon in presence of a very large attendance of mourners including Brigadier-General Macnaghten, Dr. Jordan, Dr. Blakelock, Dr. Vio, Dr. Shu, Dr. Cieh, Dr. Zau, Dr. Kwauk, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Helm, Captain Reid, Chief of the Fire Brigade, Deputy Commissioners Fairbairn and Samson of the Police, while the Nursing Service was represented by the following among others, Miss Warren, Miss Daly, Miss Reid, Miss Johnstone. The pathway to the grave was lined by a detachment of Sikh and Chinese Police. The committal service was conducted by Father McDonald.

The coffin which was draped with the Union Jack was borne to the grave by Dr. Marsh, Messrs J. Sluis, K. M. Getz, J. McDowall, G. Flatt and F. G. W. Schroeder. A beautiful floral cross from Mother, Brothers and Sisters was lowered into the grave with the casket. Among others sending wreaths were:—Shanghai Municipal Council, Dr. J. H. Jordan, Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Duck, Dr. Jackson and partners, Dr. W. R. Johnston, Dr. Marshall and partners, The Matrons and the Foreign Nursing Staff of the S.M.C., The Matron and Foreign Nursing Staff Police Hospital, The Nursing Staff of the Gaol Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Helm, S. Ezra, The Administration Branch Public Health Dept, Superintendent and Chief Inspectors Public Health Dept., Shanghai Fire Brigade, May and John Pontin, E. E. Goodband, Bill and Babs Russell, Frank and Mary Roscoe, Miss Fairley, United Services Association, Dr. Y. J. Cieh, Mrs. C. E. Pearson, Mr. A. H. Samson, Mansie Johnstone, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Taylor, The Chinese Nursing Staff of the S.M.C., Male Nursing Staff of the Police Hospital, Chinese Female Nurses Police Hospital, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cady, Miss Dobbie, Miss Henry, Dr. and Mrs. Hsu, Messrs. Flatt and Hillman, Mr. P. J. Kane, Mrs. B. M. Dallas, The Chinese Medical Staff, Russian Watchman, Lachhman Singh, Piara Singh, Fateh Mohd, H. K. Choi, Members of the Sikh Branch S.M.P., Members of the Chinese Branch S.M.P., Sunder Singh Wong Vee Sing, Wong Kyung Foh, Wong Ah Ngoo, Ling Yee Loong, Wong Yong Kong, Taung Zay Chong, Tsoo Yong Poh, Chiang Sheau Ming, Loh Tsing Dong, Wong Ah Fao, Soong Ah Zai, Fan Foo Chun, Soong Hung Chi, Sung Ah San, Sung Ka Chi, Kuo Ni Fah, Sou Ding Pu, Chang Ming Buh, Koo Tsze Lee Low Fooh Tao, Hsu Zee Ping, Sieh Ding Loong, Wong Ah Mao, Li Ah Su, Sung Yung Chong, Lu Yong Kong, Wong Kwen Chi, Taung Sun Tz, Zee Mong Wo, Wong Bai Ching, Yang Tu Ziang, Moo Pin Chi, Kao Tse Zung, Wong Hee Tsing, Chao Ziang Fa, etc.

The funeral arrangements were in the care of Messrs. Thomas Macdonald and Co.

Mr. Johann Christian van Houten

Funeral rites for the late Mr. Johann Christian van Houten were conducted yesterday afternoon at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, Kiaochow Road, with Rev. E. Krueger officiating. The deceased and his wife were visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. van Houten, here when death overtook him suddenly last Saturday evening as the result of a heart attack. Mr. van Houten also has a daughter in Holland, Mrs. Wilhelmina Roo-van Houten, who is coming to Shanghai to accompany her mother returning home. The remains will be sent to Holland where interment will take place in the near future. Among those present at the funeral services were Mr. G. W. Boissevain, Consul-General for the Netherlands, Mr. J. van der Berg, also of the Netherlands Consulate-General, Mr. J. D. Carriere, of the Java-China-Japan Lijn, members of the staff of Netherlandsch-Indische Handelsbank and many others. Floral tributes were received from:—

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TWIN boys have been born in two counties to Mrs. Leon of Walberswick. The first child was born at eight o'clock in the morning in her home—in Suffolk. An ambulance was sent for, Mrs. Leon insisted on taking her child with her and both were sent thirty-two miles to Norwich hospital—in Norfolk. There a second child was born, sixteen hours later. The boys' weights were 7 lb. 4oz. and 6lb. 3oz.

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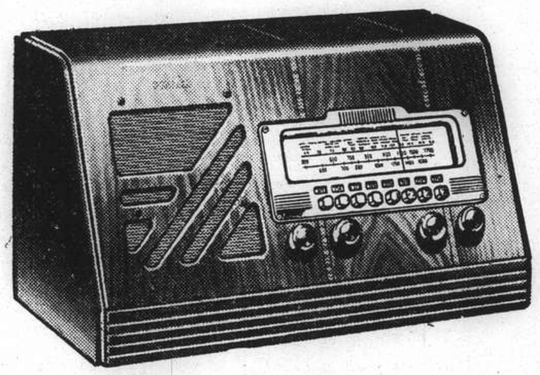

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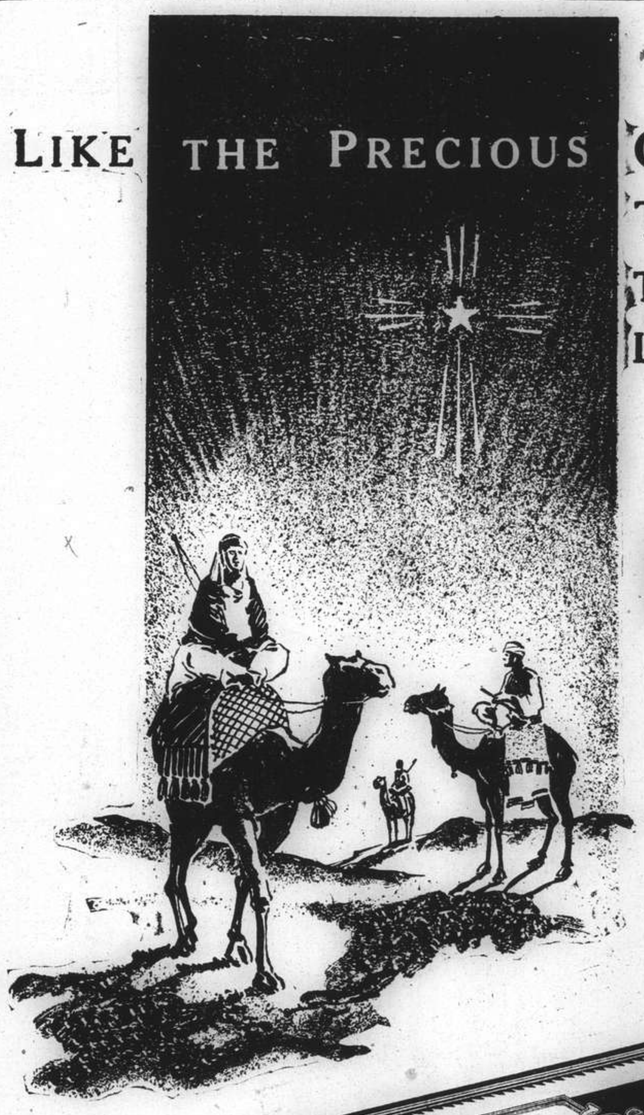

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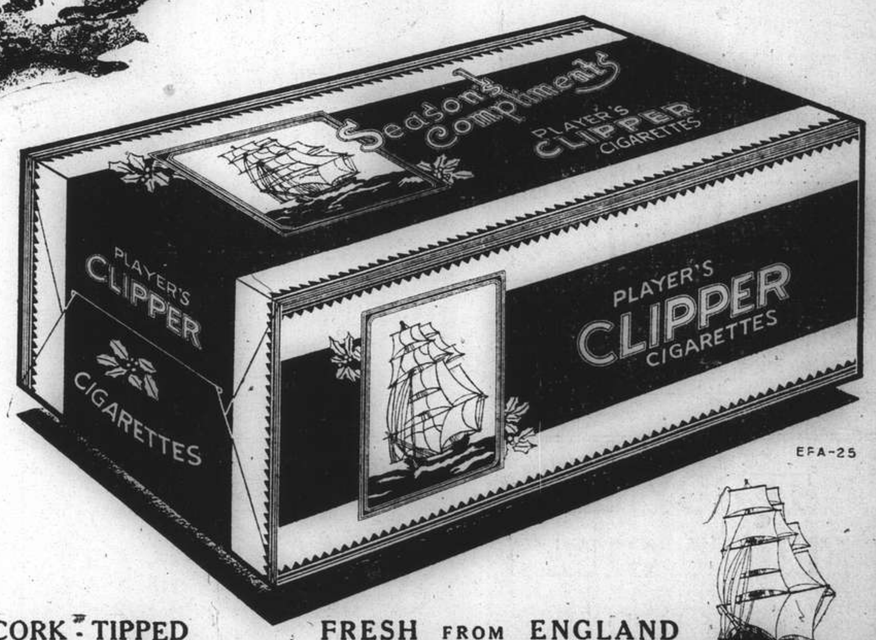

PLAIN OR CORK-TIPPED FRESH FROM ENGLAND

THE SPORTS PAGE

U.S. Football Championship

Giants Win Professional Title by Beating Green Bay Packers in Close Game, 23-17

New York, Dec. 11.

SMASHING through for a touchdown in the final minutes of the third quarter after trailing, 17-16, the New York Giants beat the Green Bay Packers, 23-17, today and won the world professional American football championship.

Hank Soar led the Giants to victory by catching a touchdown pass from Ed Danowski after the Giants in a series of bruising plays broke through for 41 yards.

A crowd of 48,120 spectators saw the champions of the eastern division crush the western division title-holders in a game marked by thrills and numerous spills, one of which ended in John Dell Isola leaving in an ambulance for the hospital.

The victory of the Giants was no upset. They were expected to triumph, but the Packers put up a grand battle and almost turned the trick. The Giants on November 20 trounced the Packers at the Polo Grounds, 15-3, handing the Green Bay team its first defeat of the season.

Soar and Danowski led the attack for the Giants, for Danowski with sure-fire passing, which helped the Giants win most of their games this season, again starred with his accurate and timely aerial barrages.

Steve Owen, coach of the champions, was the happiest man at the Polo Grounds. Only twice in the last five years have his Giants missed qualifying for the league playoffs, but despite this consistency, he ordered special practices in the last few weeks to bring his squad to the fittest possible condition.

Broken Field Running

Tuffy Leemans, one of the greatest ground gainers of the year, thrilled the season's record crowd by cutting through for the first touchdown. His sparkling broken field running left the Packers flat-footed as he streaked for the initial touchdown of the big game.

The cheers of the crowd turns to groans as Ward Cuff missed the kick for the extra point. The chief booter of the Giants, however, soon gained a big hand from the fans when he hung up three points by kicking a field goal.

Leading by nine points, the Giants apparently slackened in the second quarter, but they were forced to spurt when the Packers revealed exceptional fighting spirit to make two touchdowns, both of which were converted. The Giants, however, came through with a touchdown that Cuff booted for the extra to lead at half time, 16-14.

Clark Hinkle and C. Muleneaux were the leaders of the Packers, each scoring a touchdown in the second quarter.

The crowd went wild with excitement in the third quarter when the Packers continued to crush the stout defence of the Giants and staged march after march toward the New York goal line.

Although the Giants blocked the holes well, the Packers were not to be denied and Tiny Engebretsen scored a field coal to put the western champions into the lead, 17-16. He scored from the Giant's 15-yard line.

Furious Attacks Begun

Taken aback by this sudden burst of power by the Packers, the Giants launched a series of furious attacks. Led by Soar, the Giants marched with terrific force for 41 yards. This great attack was climaxed with Soar catching Danowski's touchdown pass and scoring the winning touchdown which Cuff converted. The giants thus regained the lead, 23-17, the score failing to change during the remaining quarter.

The fourth quarter was marked by the most bustling play of the day. Both teams were fighting mad and rough play crept in as the Packers let loose with every trick in their bag in an effort to smash through the Giants.

On four occasions the Giants were forced to rally and halt drives of the Packers. In what was perhaps the outstanding play of the day because it saved the game for the Giants, Cuff tackled Wayland Becker, stunning him.

The Giants fumbled on their 21-yard line, but recovered the ball. After this the most bruising play of the day was seen as the Giants fought to clear the ball from their territory while the Packers attempted to take advantage of being in New York's area and break through for the winning touchdown.

The Giants pushed the Packers back slowly but gradually until they were out of the danger zone, the game ending soon after the New York team had started an attack.—United Press.

Local Basketball Championship

Greens Win Reid Challenge Basketball Trophy Without Losing a Single Game

By beating the Erin Villa team last night in the Navy Y.M.C.A., 24-12, the Greens won the Reid Challenge, Basketball Trophy for the 1938-39 season. Virtually the same ladies played in the "North-China Daily News" team in the 1937-38 series, winning handsomely at the time. Thus it might be said that the winners romped home first in successive series.

Erin Villa won the trophy in 1936-37. With six teams entered only one round was played and play ended earlier than usual.

Last night the losers put up a sterling game and it was not until the last quarter that the Greens piled up the winning points. The guards did well defensively and had their opponents bottled up most of the way. Miss Taylor, however, had a successful time, tallying no less than six baskets.

Miss Sheridan opened the score with a neat goal from the side of the floor. Miss Ellis equalized near the foul line. Before the end of the opening quarter Miss Taylor shot her first basket. In the second quarter Miss Sheridan again was the first to find the hoop. Miss Taylor followed with two for a comfortable lead of 10-2. Miss Sullivan came into the picture, netting two one-hand shots. Miss Parkhill contributed one for the Greens while Miss Oliveira made the next basket to finish the half by 12-8.

Miss Ellis opened the second half with a long shot. Miss Sullivan missed two foul throws to tie the score. At this period Miss Rodgers retired in favour of Miss Nosoff, who passed to Miss Taylor for the latter to counter her fourth basket. Miss Ellis tallied and the margin read 14-12 at the close of the third quarter.

Then came the final spurt in which Miss Taylor forced play. She scored two from underneath the basket. Miss Hammond replaced Miss Harrop with only two more minutes left and the game's last basket.

GREENS

	fg.	f.	ft.	pts.
Harrop, f.	1	0	3	2
Hammond, f.	1	0	1	2
Taylor, f.	6	0	0	12
Rodgers, c.	0	0	0	0
Nosoff, c.	0	0	1	0
Sheridan, g.	3	0	2	6
Parkhill, g.	1	0	0	2
	12	0	7	24

ERIN VILLA

Malinovsky, f.	0	0	0	0
Sullivan, f.	2	0	1	4
Ellis, c.	3	0	1	6
Oliveira, g.	1	0	1	2
Waller, g.	0	0	0	0
	6	0	3	12

Post-Mercury Win

Losing to the Post-Mercury five by 20-4, the Blues were far behind throughout. The winners made a poor start, scoring but one foul throw in the first quarter. In the second and third periods they gained seven points in each session and easily walked away. The Misses Foyn and Campbell each shot three baskets. For the losers, the Misses Stead and Chernoff each scored one goal.

POST-MERCURY

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Foyn, f.	3	1	1	7
Jameson, f.	0	0	0	0
Garzey, f.	1	1	0	3
Watson, f.	0	0	0	0
Kloffer, c.	1	2	0	4
Munz, g.	0	0	0	0
Dubray, g.	0	0	1	0
Campbell, g.	3	0	1	6
	8	4	3	20

BLUES

Dodd, f.	0	0	0	0
Cooper, f.	0	0	1	0
Brown, c.	0	0	3	0
Stead, g.	1	0	1	2
Cooke, g.	0	0	1	0
Chernoff, g.	1	0	1	2
	2	0	7	4

Yellows and Keys Tie

The last game in the Reid Series resulted in a tie, 10-10, between the Yellows and Keys. Miss Ward began well by tallying three goals to gain a lead but the team failed to improve and allowed the Keys to catch up. Miss Bugaeff netted a last minute goal to cause the deadlock. In the extra period none of the sides was able to get any point and the contest finished a tie.

YELLOWS

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Hodgemen, f.	0	0	0	0
Donnelly, f.	1	0	0	2
Ward, c.	4	0	3	8
Milligan, g.	0	0	1	0
Eidwell, g.	0	0	0	0
	5	0	4	10

KEYS

Solomon, f.	2	0	0	4
Bugaeff, f.	1	0	0	2
Huan, c.	1	0	0	2
Mizrahi, g.	0	0	2	0
Machado, g.	1	0	0	2
	5	0	2	10

Badminton

The Clube Lusitano on their home court defeated the Union Church at badminton yesterday, 7-2.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Exciting Moment on Race Course

With the Recs and East Surreys fighting for each inch in Sunday's match, the latter triumphed with smart play after lemon time, the Recs having led handsomely in the first half.

Women's Duck Pin League Nears End

Foreign Y.M.C.A. Team in Lead; Standings in Play To Date Given

With the Ladies Duck Pin League fast coming to a close, considerable interest is attached to the part played by the Women's Sports Section of the Foreign Y.M.C.A., present leaders in the race. The "Y" ladies are to meet the German Garden Club in the latter's alleys and are expected to keep on their victorious march.

Team Standings

	Won	Lost	P'ct.	Pin Fall
Foreign Y.M.C.A.	16	5	.761	9590
C.C.C. Reds	14	7	.666	9407
C.C.C. Blues	13	8	.619	9553
American Club	11	10	.523	9173
German G.C.	7	14	.333	8879
Marine Ladies	2	19	.095	8586

League Records

Individual:—

Single Mrs. Schuster	130	
Triple Mrs. Schuster	330	
Average Mrs. Schuster	97	7/18
Team Single C.C.C. Blues	534	
Team Triple C.C.C. Blues	1513	

Individual Records

	Single	Triple	Pin Fall	Played	Average
Mrs. Schuster, C.C.C. Blues	130	330	1753	18 97	7/18
Miss Volein, Y.M.C.A.	116	318	1171	12 97	7/12
Mrs. Horton, Y.M.C.A.	115	316	2026	21 96	2/7
Mrs. Geibel, C.C.C. Reds	125	311	2012	21 95	17/21
Mrs. Cardwell, C.C.C. Blues	111	293	1943	21 92	11/21
Mrs. Dalton, C.C.C. Blues	103	297	1916	21 91	5/21
Mrs. D. Nance, German C.	105	289	1822	20 91	1/10
Miss Lemp, Y.M.C.A.	109	282	1563	17 91	16/17
Mrs. Jensen, American C.	108	311	1917	21 91	2/7
Mrs. Shean, C.C.C. Reds	109	275	549	6 91	1/2
Mrs. Weide, German G.C.	113	294	1907	21 90	17/21
Mrs. McClellan, C.C.C. Reds	116	306	1894	21 90	4/21
Mrs. Limann, German G.C.	108	298	1894	21 90	4/21
Mrs. F. Nance, C.C.C. Reds	116	290	1896	21 90	2/7
Mrs. Zee, Y.M.C.A.	114	284	1796	20 89	4/5
Miss Kimball, C.C.C. Blues	118	317	1863	21 88	5/7
Mrs. Kwok, Y.M.C.A.	107	299	1777	20 88	17/20
Mrs. Lamneck, American C.	105	294	1675	19 88	3/19
Mrs. Gray, C.C.C. Blues	113	290	1838	21 87	11/21
Mrs. Allen, Marine	110	301	1809	21 86	1/7
Mrs. Deegan, American C.	104	282	1467	17 86	5/17
Mrs. Malleck, Y.M.C.A.	88	260	260	3 86	2/3
Mrs. Putman, C.C.C. Reds	100	275	1804	21 85	19/21
Mrs. Clark, Marine	86	254	254	3 84	2/3
Mrs. Krulak, Marine	99	274	1505	18 83	11/18
Mrs. Evans, American C.	100	265	1504	18 83	5/9
Mrs. Freeman, C.C.C. Reds	95	262	1255	15 83	2/5
Mrs. Collaco, Y.M.C.A.	99	272	997	12 83	1/12
Mrs. Sachs, German G.C.	90	259	753	9 83	2/3
Mrs. Hommel, Marine	103	252	501	6 83	1/2
Mrs. Lindner, German G.C.	93	258	1729	21 82	1/3
Mrs. Johnston, Marine	108	253	1726	21 82	4/21
Mrs. Coffman, Marine	94	254	889	11 80	9/11
Mrs. Johnson, C.C.C. Blues	82	240	240	3 80	
Mrs. Eggers, German G.C.	97	260	1437	18 79	5/6
Mrs. Robb, Marine	98	237	714	9 79	1/3
Mrs. Meyer-Buete, German G.C.	92	269	933	12 77	3/4
Mrs. Mann, American C.	86	249	699	9 77	2/3
Mrs. Heckel, German G.C.	85	226	266	3 75	1/3
Mrs. Nelson, Marine	92	234	671	9 74	5/9
Mrs. Cloudy, Marine	75	215	517	7 73	6/7

Closely-Contested Basketball Game

China Trims America in Charity Affair

A crowd of 700 watched China score a close victory over America in the first of a three-game charity basketball series at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. last night by a difference of two-field goals, 37-33. The Americans led in the first half by 17-16 but were out played by the faster Chinese who made a strong finish.

Guarding was airtight throughout the 40 minutes. The Americans started with Carson and Bryant as guards, Wilde as centre, and Moore and Grow as forwards. The Chinese fielded a combined team made up of the Paramount and United Development teams.

Because of close defence neither side was able to locate the basket during the first five minutes. Points were made through foul throws until 4-all, when Darwin Chow, the left-handed star, netted a difficult shot. Bryant, who converted three shots via the foul route, retaliated by a timely follow-up shot. He continued to score from the foul line. Sun evened the score by a foul throw and Chen netted to give the Chinese a lead of 9-7.

The Chinese maintained this small advantage until less than a minute before half-time when Bryant made two more foul throws.

With eight minutes to go the ultimate winners were ahead by three points. At this stage the trailers made several substitutions but the attempt went for nothing as the opponents employed stalling tactics to win 37-33.

The second game will take place tomorrow night at the same place, starting at 9 p.m.

The summary:—

CHINA

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Chow, f.	1	0	2	2
Zung, f.	1	0	2	2
Kung, f.	4	0	3	8
Chen, c.	5	0	1	10
Li, c.	2	1	1	5
Loh, g.	0	0	1	0
Tsai, g.	3	2	2	8
Sun, g.	0	2	2	2
	16	5	14	37

AMERICA

Moore, f.	2	2	3	6
Grow, f.	1	1	3	3
Palmer, f.	1	0	0	2
Dingwall, f.	1	0	0	2
Wilde, c.	1	0	3	2
Fasko, c.	1	0	0	2
Carson, g.	1	1	2	3
Bryant, g.	2	8	1	12
Sargent, g.	0	1	1	1
Lawler, c.	0	0	0	0
	10	13	13	33

Boston Leads Ice Hockey League

Strengthen Position by Win Over New York Rangers, 3-0; Brimsek Star Goal-keeper

Boston, Dec. 11.

With Frank Brimsek, rookie goalie, again starring, the Boston Bruins walloped the New York Rangers, 3-0, tonight and strengthened their hold on the national ice hockey league.

Putting on a whirlwind finishing in the final period, the Chicago Black Hawks trounced the New York Americans, 4-0, to climb into third place in the league, just a point behind the Rangers.

The Montreal Canadiens beat the Detroit Red Wings, 4-0, causing the former Stanley Cup holders to become their co-tenants of the cellar position.

The up and coming New York Rangers, whose farm-bred kid team, has taken the fancy of all ice hockey enthusiasts tried hard but crumbled under the fierce onslaughts of the strongest squad in the league and red-hot favourites to capture this year's Stanley Cup.

Generally conceded the finest team last season, the Bruins missed the Stanley Cup which fell into the hands of the Black Hawks, who finished sixth among the eight teams in the league but who became overnight the most powerful squad in the playoffs that led to the world championship.

Brimsek, playing in goal in the big league for the first season in his career, again was the outstanding Bruin player. He cleared shot after shot to receive wild ovations from the crowd. In keeping his goal clear of all shots, Brimsek managed to help the Bruins score their third shutout victory of the season.

Three Goals by Bruins

With Brimsek offering an airtight defence, the forwards of the Bruins cut loose and broke through the Rangers with ease to send the puck in for three goals.

In losing to the Canadiens, the Red Wings dropped into last place, which prior to tonight's game was occupied only by the Canadiens.

The Black Hawks started their climb to the top by crushing the Americans. A dull game until the final quarter, the sudden surge of offensive tactics in the last period by the Hawks made the tussle a thriller. Leading by only one goal and with the Amerks pressing, the Hawks rallied and, staging one invasion after another in a blaze of brilliant skating and stickwork, they broke through for three goals in a few minutes to settle issue.—United Press.

U.C.L.A.—Oregon State

Los Angeles, Dec. 10.

For the second year, the annual football game between the University of California at Los Angeles and Oregon State ended in a tie today 6-6.

Germans Set Glider Record

Two Men Stay in Air Over Fifty Hours

Berlin, Dec. 12.

A new world record for two seater gliders was established by the two German airmen Boedecker and Zander, who succeeded in staying in the air for 50 hours and 15 minutes.

The two glider pilots started from the glider school at Rossitten at 10.45 a.m. on Friday and remained in the air until noon on Sunday. During the whole of this time they circled around between the starting point and the Kurische Nehrung at an altitude of 100 to 300 metres. In spite of the biting cold and the bad visibility the airmen continued until they were completely exhausted.

The previous record, which was beaten by 10 hours, was held by the German Toni Kahlbacher and Joseph Fuehringer.—Trans-Ocean.

France Sees American Football Game

Paris, Dec. 11.

American football has had its debut before sports-loving Frenchmen and the verdict today was that the best thing about the game was the huddle.

American football players, coached by Jim Crowley of Fordham, put on an exhibition before a large crowd of gaping Frenchmen at the Parc de Princess Stadium on Saturday and the sports pages were full of the affair today.

The All-Stars beat the New Yorkers, 25-14, and the game Itself was described variously as a combination of rugby, soccer, wrestling and bull-fighting and "very much like a collision between an automobile and a bus," but it was declared too brutal for the French taste.—United Press.

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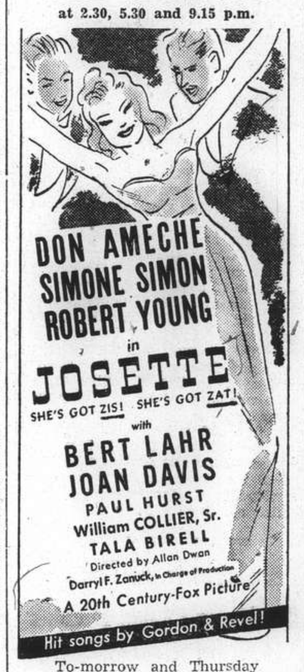

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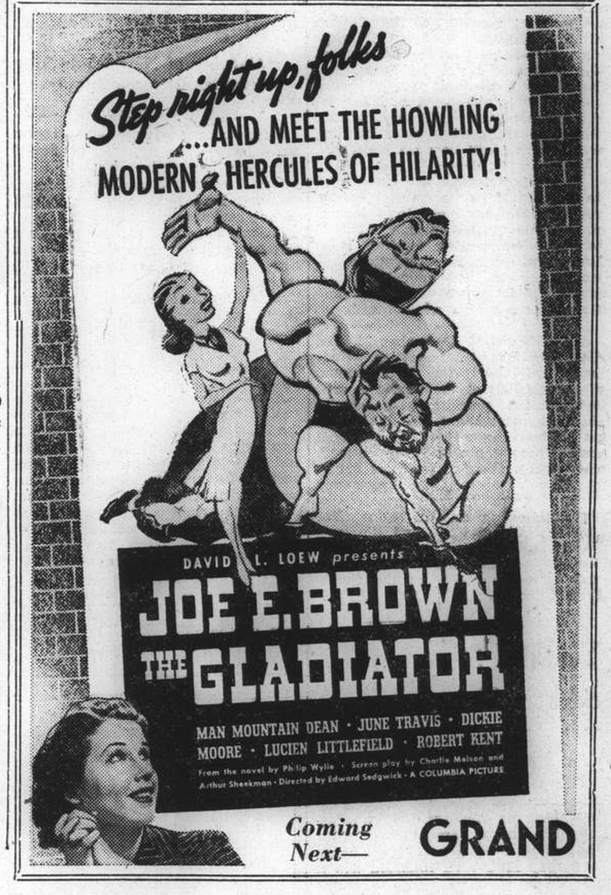

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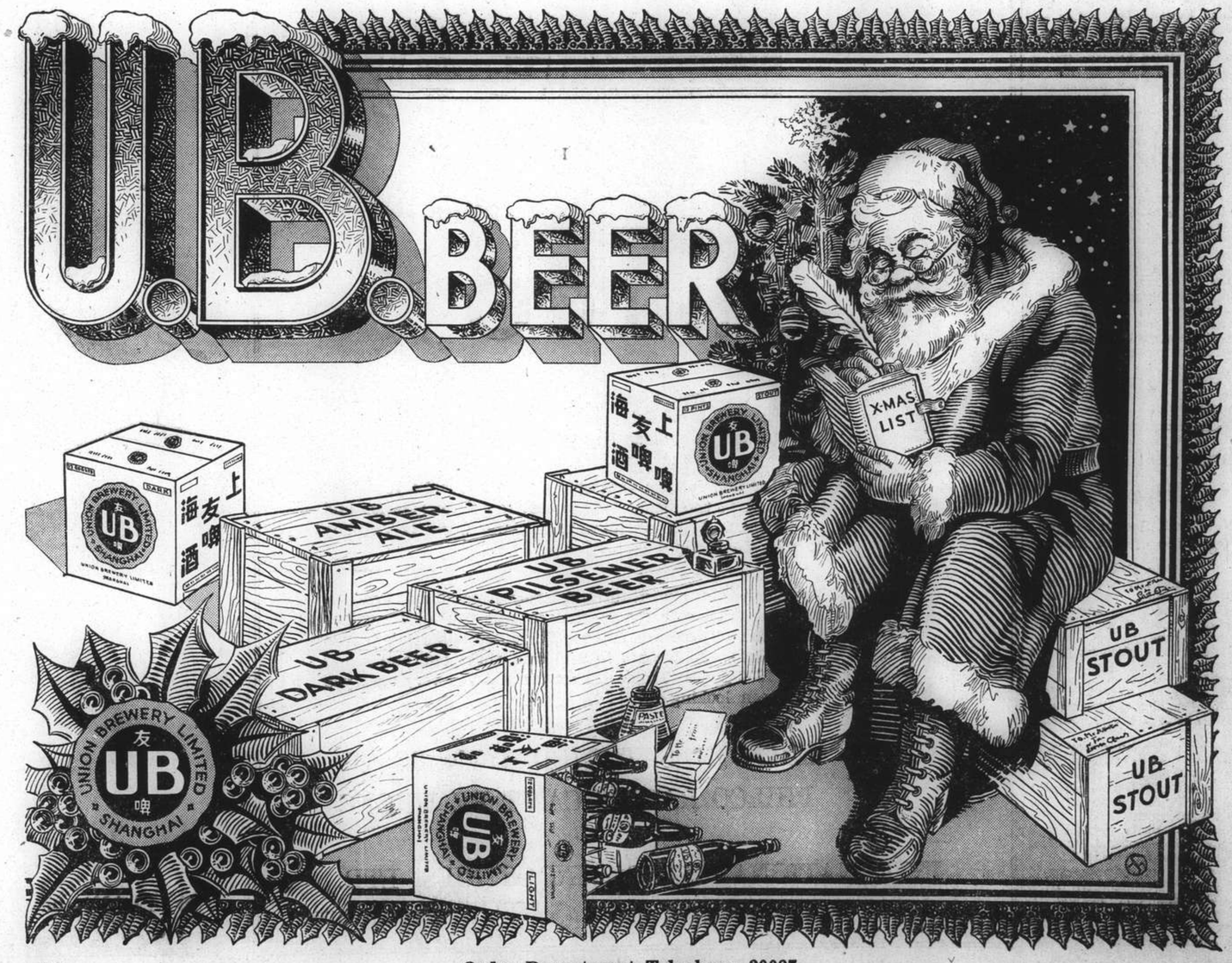

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First Division Match Replay

Seaforth Highlanders to Meet A. S. F. on Saturday; Fans Sure to See Game

The replayed First Division match between the Seaforths and Association Sportive Francaise team, which was ordered by the Shanghai Football Association as a result of a protest lodged by the Highlanders, will be played at the Canidrome on Saturday afternoon, and should attract a sizable crowd of soccer "fans" to the French ground, in view of the fact that there are no super-attractions in the soccer line, the match between the Police and the Recs becoming of minor importance, owing to the respective standings in the League.

Had the S.R.C. beaten the East Surrey Regiment on Saturday, their match would have been of more interest, but that loss caused them to give up their leading position in the league to the Sea forth Highlanders, undisputedly the best team in Shanghai at the present moment. If the latter can manage to field their first team against the A.S.F. on Saturday, which however is doubtful, owing to injuries to McCusker and Peachey, they should have no difficulty in inflicting a decisive defeat on their opponents, who are not the force they were when they played the Scots in the much-discussed match.

To ensure winning the league, the Seaforths must keep going all the time, if reports to the effect that some of their players are leaving in the very early part of the New Year are correct.

Sunday's Matches

On Sunday, the East Surrey Regiment will try their strength against the fast-moving Tung Hwa team at the Canidrome. The Surreys, up to now, are a real problem team, their showing in the first half against the Recs on Saturday not being worthy of a first division team, but in the second half individual players absolutely won the game for them. It seemed that the injury to Hale solved a problem for the team manager, for Padgett was the best centre-half by a long way, his distribution of the ball being well-judged and correct. Baldock at centre-forward has no equal in Shanghai football at the present, if he consistently plays the type of football he played on Saturday.

In Walters the new entries have a good match-winning type of player, and it would be very interesting to see what an impression a player of McGuigan's ability would do to the Surreys' forward line. In Tung Hwa, the soldiers have doughty opponents and it would not be a surprise to see the first draw in the First Division registered in this match.

In the Junior Cup competition, Area Details will oppose Kwang Lou again, these teams having drawn at the first attempt. Obviously and forecast of the result of this match is impossible after the teams have got to know each others' strength, besides having played against each oher for 1¾ hours.

Week-end Fixtures

The following are the S.F.A. fixtures for the week-end:

SATURDAY

Junior Cup 1st Round.—Kwang Lou (Replay) *v.* Area Details, Kiaochow, 2.30 p.m.
1st division.—Seaforths (replay) *v.* A.S.F., Canidrome, 3.30 p.m.; S.M.P. *v.* S.R.C., R.G.2.
Reserve division.—S.M.P. *v.* Seaforths, R.G.5.
2nd division.—J.R.C. *v.* Abteilung, R.G.1.
3rd division.—Bramtoco *v.* R.A.M.C., S.R.C.

SUNDAY

Junior Cup 1st Round.—Tung Wen *v.* U.T. Party, Kiaochow, 2.30 p.m.
1st division.—Tung Hwa *v.* Surreys, Canidrome, 10.30 a.m.
Reserve division.—Aurora *v.* Surreys, Kiaochow, 10.45 a.m.
2nd division.—Russ Regt. *v.* J.A.C., R.G.5; Area Details *v.* Sokol, S.R.C.
3rd division.—Russ. Club *v.* Betal, R.G.1; P.T.H. *v.* Vitiaz, R.G.2.

Maitland Wins "B" Class Cup at Hungjao

McBain Loses After Close Play in Morning

As was expected, H. Maitland got the better of E. B. McBain in the 36 holes final of the "B" Class Cup at the Hungjao Golf Club on Sunday. Both played to their handicap during the morning round which left Maitland with a two holes lead. In the afternoon round Maitland, like many week-end golfers after luncheon, got really going and, playing well below his handicap, disposed of McBain by 7 and 5.

McBain has the distinction of having been tried for the Cambridge golf side. He has, however, hardly touched a club these past fifteen years.

Britain Has No Arms Pact with France

London, Dec. 12.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, stated in the House of Commons today that no specific Pact existed at the present time under which, in the event of Italy starting warlike operations against France or her possessions, Great Britain would be required to render military aid to France.

Mr. Chamberlain also announced that no official request had been made by Germany for the return of her colonies.—Reuter.

Shelaeff Set for Welter Bout

San Francisco Fans Expect Shanghai Fighter to Beat George Salvadore

San Francisco, Dec. 11.

Andre Shelaeff, 18-year-old Russian youth who is the Oriental welterweight champion, continued to reign as the favourite against George Salvadore, veteran Texan battler, today as they finished their training with limbering-up exercises in preparation for tomorrow's main event fight in the Dreamland Auditorium.

Although the young Russian fighter is the favourite, Salvadore, because of his recently improved condition, is expected to reveal oldtime form and a close battle is promised.

Shelaeff jumped into favour with local boxing followers despite the fact that Salvadore is the Russian's first "name" fighter. Salvadore, who in his prime has fought some outstanding men and even last year went the full distance against Ceferino Garcia, who recently unsucessfully attempted to snatch the 147-pound title from Henry Armstrong, was stunned by Shelaeff's blows in a recent workout.

The two sparred together when the Russian lad, who arrived here from Shanghai, was training for his battle against Johnny Fasano. Shelaeff opened up and, despite heavy gloves, staggered Salvadore with heavy rights, forcing the veteran from Texas to stop the workout.

It is because of this incident that local spectators of boxing believe Shelaeff will win, although many boxing experts seem inclined to overlook the result of the sparring fray because at that time Salvadore was not in condition.

Real Battle Expected

With Salvadore in far better trim than he has been for some time, Shelaeff is in for a tough fight. The American is an experienced fighter, who knows all the tricks and who has a great reputation for punishment-absorbing qualities.

Shelaeff is favoured because of his terrific hitting. The Russian has vastly improved his timing. He also has learned much in his three previous fights here. Above all he has acclimatized himself to local conditions and seems to be improving daily.

His willingness to mix it and his ruggedness have made him popular and these factors naturally have made him the favourite. Salvadore, however, is a wise fighter and his ringcraft may prove too much for the Russian lad, whose only hope to win is to land his furious blows and land them quickly and frequently.

Should Shelaeff beat Salvadore, the Russian will probably be matched against the leading ranking West Coast welterweights after which, if he proves successful, he will invade the east and oppose rated fighters.

Heinrich Seelig, Shelaeff's manager, has already made contracts with leading New York and Chicago boxing promoters, and is reported to have had promises of fights for the lad from Shanghai.—United Press.

The results of the fight will not be known in Shanghai until late this afternoon.—Ed.

Jerusalem Jews Now Apprehensive

Anglo-Arab Rapprochement Gives Rise to New Fears

Jerusalem, Dec. 12.

Jewish circles here are very much concerned by the rapprochement effected between the British Government and the Arab Supreme Council and which was facilitated by the Palestine debate in the House of Lords yesterday.

These quarters view with scepticism the results of the forthcoming Round Table Conference in London.

The Jewish press goes so far as to demand that the Jewish authorities reconsider the question of Jewish participation in talks which might have harmful consequences for the Jewish "national home."—Havas.

Berlin Will Aid Jewish Exodus

Foreign Currency from Jews Abroad Asked as Means for Emigration

Berlin, Dec. 12.

The authorities in an official statement on the Nazi anti-Semitic policy, issued today, promise to facilitate the emigration of German Jews.

The suggestion is made that Jews abroad place their foreign currency at the disposal of German Jews, to enable them to emigrate, as had been done with the Austrian Jews, "with the aim that all measures taken will be of benefit in the emigration of Jews from Germany."

It is explained that the emigration of German Jews is not only in the interests of the German people, but also in the interests of the Jews themselves.

The statement continues by pointing out that now Germany has obtained national unity, difficulties will arise, in spite of all measures taken to avoid friction.

Jews and Germans cannot agree together, the statement declares, as history has sufficiently proved. Separation between the Jews and the German people, it is stated, is desirable.

Ghetto System Denied

This separation has already been carried out by laws in the Reich, and it must become an actual separation.

It is inaccurate, the statement goes on to point out, to speak of the limitation of Jews to certain residential quarters in Berlin, or of the creation of a ghetto.

The strictly legal expulsion of Jews from industry is now proceeding it is stated.

In this respect, opinion abroad is in error.

It is now enacted that Jews will no longer be allowed to own retail or wholesale businesses, but in all German towns Jews will be able to buy as usual from German shops, and will be allowed admittance to German shops, restaurants and hotels.

Probably, the statement foreshadows, a few businesses and restaurants will be prohibited to Jews.

Isolation "Action" Ended

It can scarcely be imagined, the statement declares, that "Jews will be anxiously met" at the Kaiserhof, in Berlin, or the Deutscherhof, in Nuremberg.

It goes without saying that the State will facilitate all emigration within its power, but the difficulty lies solely in the transfer of German Jews to other lands.

Here, it is suggested that foreign Jews assist the emigration of their fellow Jews from Germany.

The statement ends by declaring that individual action such as that taken here and there against Jews has "long ago ended," and will be severely punished in the future.—Reuter.

Yugoslav Government Wins Election

Majority of Opposition Leaders Defeated

Belgrade, Dec. 12.

The Yugoslav Radical Union, the party of the Premier, Dr. Milan Stoyadinovich, gained a substantial victory over opposition parties in the general election polling in which took place yesterday.

The majority of Opposition leaders suffered defeat, notably General Pera Zhivkovitch, former War Minister and founder of the National Party, and Dr. Advidovitch, chief of the Serbian Demorats.

The election resolved itself into a struggle between two fundamentally opposed viewpoints, represented by the Premier's Radical-Socialists and a loose federation of parties headed by Dr. Vladimir Macek, the Croat leader.

In the last Lower Chamber, o Skupshtina, the Government party held 180 of the 317 seats.—Reuter.

New Tax Announced In Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

The Minister of Commerce and of Industry, Mr. Seihin Ikeda, today announced a tax increase of Y.200,000,000 solely through the extension of excess profit and commodity taxes.

This was to prevent inflation and readjust the national burden. The increase also was directed against munition profiteers.—United Press.

Peiping Still Hopes to Merge "Governments"

Further Meeting Set for December 23 for Talks

Peiping, Dec. 12.

Definite steps to be taken for the organization of a central government of China by the amalgamation of the "Provisional" and "Reformed" administrations will be planned at a third session of the joint commission of the regimes on December 23, it was disclosed today in a statement issued by officials here in connection with the forthcoming anniversary of the establishment of the Peiping "government." The third meeting of the commission will be held here. The second session was in Nanking on November 2.—Domei.

Engineering Society Hears Talk

The Engineering Society of China, held its fifth ordinary meeting under the auspices of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, China Branch at the dining room of the Park Hotel yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Harold G. B. Perry read a paper on "Some Notes Pertaining to the Science of Lubrication" which was much appreciated by the large number of members who attended the meeting.

Mr. G. Pickering was in the chair and introduced the speaker.

British Universities' Society Affair

Many members of the British Universities' Society of China gathered in the Dome last night to enjoy a very well chosen and varied programme of music, Mmes. E. L. Vitenson, E. Badeley, Myrna Bancroft Olive and Mr. I. Shevtzoff executing the various muscial items with artistic accomplishment. Their very good performances were widely applauded by those present.

Dinner was then served after which there was dancing.

Smallpox on British Ship; Quarantined

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Forty members of the crew of the Pyrrhus, a British freighter, were placed under observation at the quarantine station at Yokohama today following the discovery that Chow Fang-ching, 22-year-old Chinese fireman of the Pyrrhus, was found ill with small-pox.—Domei.

Soviet-Japan Tension Eases Slightly

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"Before that date, however, a revised fishery agreement to replace the basic treaty was initialled in Moscow in October, 1936. Soon afterwards, on November 25, the original Japanese-German anti-Comintern agreement was concluded. Displeased by this, Soviet Russia declined to sign the revised fishery convention, and the Japanese rights to fish in Soviet waters have been regulated during the last two years merely by an inconvenient makeshift stipulating a tentative prolongation of the effect of the old basis treaty.

"The makeshift accord now in effect is to lapse by the end of this month. The Japanese Government, desiring to readjust the fishery relations between the two countries, has been in negotiation with Soviet officials since the early part of September.

"The conversations, however, have made no promising progress, owing to the insincere attitude of Soviet Russia.

"Armed Force" Substitute

"The term of the special contract concerning the crab canning industry in Soviet northern waters, which was awarded to Japan in November, 1928, also expired on December 1, 1938. Before that, Japan proposed opening negotiations for the conclusion of a new contract, but Soviet Russia has so far ignored the offer.

"Soviet Russia, apparently with a view to ousting foreign interests from within her territory, is following the policy of cancelling the rights which have been granted to Japan, including those relating to fishing in the Soviet northern waters, oil prospecting in northern Karafuto (Saghalien), and coal-mining.

"If Soviet Russia continues to refuse to sign the convention already initialled, it is presumed that Japan will protect her treaty rights with armed force as a substitute for treaty regulations."—Reuter.

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£1 @ 8 5/16 .....$ 29.31
U.S. $100 @ 15 15/16 .....$627.45

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 5/16 .....$28.872
U.S.$100 @ 16¼ $615.38
London—demand 8 5/16
4 months' sight credits 8 11/16
4 months' sight docts 8 13/16
6 months' sight credits 8⅜
6 months' sight docts 8 7/16
New York—demand .....U.S. $16¼
4 months' sight credits 16¼
4 months' sight docts 16⅜
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs. nom

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 8 13/16 U.S. $16 3/32
Hongkong/London 1/3

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 15⅞ $629.92
Hongkong $54¼ $100.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders .....Buying 29⅞
Java Guilders ..... " 29⅞
Netherlands Guilders .....Selling 29⅜
Java Guilders ..... " 29⅜

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Buying U.S.$100=$617.761 £1=$28.873
Selling U.S.$100=$627.451 £1=$29.313

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 2.92=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.70½=$1
Tourist Lire 3.23 .....$1

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.94½=$1 Belgas 27.65=£1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T. $100=Rm. 39½
$100=Reg. Mk. 82.00

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTERBANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	Lowest
U.S. G.$	8¼ 16 1/16	8 13/16 16 3/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANTS CLOSING RATES

Cash		SELLING	BUYING December
£	T.T.	8 7/32	4 m/s. l.c. 8 5/16
G.$	T.T.	16	4 m/s. l.c. 16 1/16
Fcs.	T.T.	607	4 m/s. 621
Rs.	T.T.	46	7 d/s. 46½

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20	19 15/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	—	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	50.15	—

Bombay offtake 20 bars.

London silver was 1/16 down both ready and forward, being 20.– for ready and 19 15/16 forward. New York was unquoted and Bombay was 2 annas down at 50.15.

It was reported India was a small seller. The American trade bought at the decline. Market steady.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 7/32 sterling and 16.– U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with sellers for cash at 8 5/32 sterling and 16.– U.S.$, and with small sellers improved to 8 1/32 sterling and 16 3/32 U.S.$. A small business was done at fractionally higher rates after which the market relapsed to complete stagnation. Some interest was shown in forward deliveries which contributed to the steadiness of the market at the close there were sellers at:—

8 1/32	sterling	16 1/32 U.S.$	Cash
8 3/32	"	16.– "	Dec.
8 5/16	"	15 29/32 "	Jan.
8⅛	"	15 25/32 "	Feb.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Official Averages

1938 High	1938 Low		Today's Averages	Change
145.26	100.45	General	133.93	+0.24
149.31	95.55	Rubbers	141.66	unch.

Total 32,685 shares, 1,213 bonds.

Morning Session

$20,000	S.M.C. 6% Debs.	$ 99.00
$20,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 82.50
$50,000	F. M. C. 6% Debs. 1936	$ 95.00
$5,700	S. M. C. 5% Debs.	$ 83.50
200	Wheelock	$ 33.25
1,000	China Realty	$ 1.10
50	S'hai Dock	$102.00
500	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.65
3,000	Yangtsze Finance	$ 6.60
100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.90
500	Exploration	$ 8.25
200	Wheelock	$ 33.00
500	S. W. W. "B"	$ 27.00
500	Metal Ind. of China	$ 6.75
50	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.75
15	S. W. W. "A" £20	$625.00*
500	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.70
2,000	S'hai Land	$ 9.60
500	S'hai Loan	$ 6.30

ODD LOTS

200	Exploration	$ 8.35
50	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 38.50
200	S'hai Loan	$ 6.35

Afternoon Session

$18,500	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 82.50
$3,500	S. M. C. 6% Debs.	$ 99.00
$3,600	China Realty 8% Debs.	$ 55.00*
50	S'hai Dock	$101.00
1,700	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.90
1,000	New Eng. (Ord)	$ 5.70
5,500	S'hai Land	$ 9.60
4,000	China Realty	$ 1.20
40	S'hai Power (Pref)	$120.00
110	Wheelock	$ 32.75
100	Wheelock	$ 32.50
10,000	China Realty	$ 1.20
1,000	Tram (Bearer) £1	$38.00*

ODD LOTS

100	Tram (Bearer) £1	$ 38.25
100	New Eng. (Pref)	$ 7.90
500	S'hai Land	$ 9.60
100	S'hai Land	$ 9.60
500	China Realty	$ 1.10
50	Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 16.80

*—Outport Business.

Metropolitan Land Annual Meeting

Loss on Operations Shown For First Time in History; Hostilities the Cause

The ninth annual general meeting of shareholders of the Metropolitan Land Co., Ltd., was held yesterday morning at No. 17 The Bund. Mr. F. R. Smith presided over a gathering representing 83,604 shares. Supporting the chairman were Sir Robert Calder-Marshall, K.B.E., Messrs. O. Okamoto, M. Reader-Harris, C. V. Starr, Yuson Yeo (Directors) and G. T. Read (Secretary).

The Chairman said: Comparing the Profit & Loss items with those of the previous financial year, our "General Expenses" were reduced by $4,757.45. "Salaries and Wages" were increased by $1,077.21, the difference being due to the exchange rate at which Hongkong dollar expenses were converted into Chinese national currency. The items under these two headings cover the running expenses of our offices in Shanghai and Hongkong, catering for the requirements of our own properties and many other properties managed on behalf of clients. "Interest Paid" shows an increase of $13,938.10, due to Hongkong exchange. "Expenses on Company's Properties" were reduced by $3,640.87, our Eastern District and Northern District properties receiving very little attention during the period. Now that we have access to the areas concerned and the Japanese armed forces having evacuated our premises, we are completely rehabilitating all of these properties. The other items in the Profit and Loss Statement, comprising "Depreciation on Company's Furniture, Motor Car, Fixtures, etc." and the "Annual Charge to Building Depreciation Reserve," merely indicate our usual practice of writing down perishable assets and allocating adequate funds to maintain our buildings in first-class condition.

The new item in our accounts under the heading of "War Damage to Company Properties" is made up of $20,000 for the estimated replacement cost of buildings damaged by fire in January, 1938, $4,425.11 for the estimated cost of repairing and renovating the rest of our "War area" properties, and $19,029.97 for writing-off our Macleod Road improvements. There is a possibility that some of these amounts may be recovered, but your Directors consider it preferable to write them off in full.

Earnings from "Commissions and Fees" amounted to $32,135.95, being $4,430.00 less than last year. "Rent and Interest Earned" amounted to $317,487.20, a small increase despite the lack of earnings from properties in the Eastern and Northern Districts since August 1937.

Hongkong Figures

Turning to the Balance Sheet, the increase of both liabilities and assets is due to the exchange rate on Hongkong. On the liabilities side, a further sum of $28,865.16, assessed according to the formula of our Auditors, has been added to "Building Depreciation Reserve." The Company's borrowings against properties were made almost entirely in Hongkong, thus the figure for "Loans secured on Company's Properties" automatically increases on account of exchange this year. On the assets side, the value of Shanghai properties increased by $58,509.21, due to our taking over an income-producing property which was previously mortgaged to us. This property has since been sold at a profit. "Furniture, Fittings Equipment and Motor Car" have all been written down. "Mortgage Loans" and "Mortgages Discounted" have actually been reduced, but again Hongkong figures, entered into our books at the prevailing exchange rate, practically doubled those for last year. Since the end of the financial year, both of these items have been greatly reduced through our having taken over a very desirable fully-developed property, and one of our Mortgagors having repaid his loan. "Loan against Securities" was reduced during the year by $15,500.00. The reserves against "Accrued Interest Receivable", "Outstanding Rents Receivable", and "Sundry Persons" are quite adequate. "Cash in Bank and on Hand" discloses a liquid position, enabling us to meet any and all emergencies.

Developed Properties

I shall now give you a brief outline of the position in regard to our developed properties:—Capable management, plus the excellent food served in "Medhurst" continue to fill the building to capacity, fully justifying the investment made in this enterprise. Our shops, however, are not showing the return previously received and we shall have to await some improvement in business generally before we can expect a return of normal income from this source.

Rent collections in the International Settlement, the Western District and the French Concession were higher than for several years past, our properties in these areas continuing to give a satisfactory return. The increased cost of maintenance has necessitated our passing on some of the burden to our tenants who have expressed their appreciation of the Company's fairness in this respect.

Our developed properties in Hongkong are all filled at higher rentals than obtainable previously. We sold some of our vacant land at a loss of Hk.$670.91, which is shown in the accounts as C.N.$1,182.22. Plans for the further development of our holdings in Hongkong have been postponed indefinitely, pending the clarification of the present situation in South China.

This is the first occasion in the history of the Company that your Directors and General Managers have placed before you a Profit & Loss Account showing a loss on the year's operations. The amounts written off against direct and indirect effects of Sino-Japanese hostilities account for most of the total deficit. The Company ran at an actual operating loss for only the first four months of the past financial year. You will be pleased to hear that our earnings continue to improve each month.

The amount brought forward from last year $113,892.41, less this year's loss of $56,257.29, leaves a total of $57,635.12. Your Directors and General Managers recommend that this sum be carried forward.

Sir Robert Calder-Marshall and Mr. O. Okamoto retire by rotation from the Board of Directors and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Messrs. Thomson & Company retire as the Company's Auditors and offer themselves for re-election.

The Resolutions

There being no questions, the following resolutions were put to the meeting and carried unanimously:—

Proposed by Mr. F. R. Smith and seconded by Sir Robert Calder-Marshall:—That the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts as presented for the year ended September 30, 1938, be and they are hereby received, approved and adopted.

Proposed by Mr. F. R. Smith and seconded by Mr. C. V. Starr:—That the balance at credit of the Profit & Loss Account as presented, $57,635.12, be carried forward to the following year.

Proposed by Mr. W. A. Hale and seconded by Mr. M. Freeman:—That Sir Robert Calder-Marshall and Mr. O. Okamoto, the retiring Directors, be re-elected Directors of the Company.

Proposed by Mr. Yuson Yeo and seconded by Mr. O. Okamoto:—That Messrs. Thomson & Company be and they are hereby re-elected Auditors of the Company at a remuneration to be arranged by the General Managers.

Japanese Govt. Bonds

Osaka, Dec. 12.

Kogo 5% Y.103.35

—Reuter.

Britain's Fighting Planes Fastest

Italians Lead Bombing Craft Output; U.S. Do Well in Both Types

London, Dec. 11.

Great Britain has the world's fastest fighting planes, Italy the world's speediest bombers, while the United States has developed bombers and pursuit planes "which are among the world's fastest," it was revealed here today in the 1939 edition of "Janes All the World's Aircraft."

Describing characteristics of several of the leading types of aeroplanes now in use, this annual stated that the British Supermarine Spitfire, a single-seater monoplane, has a speed of something over 350 miles per hour and is the fastest persuit plane built by any nation.

The Italian Breda 88, a bi-motored monoplane bomber, is rated at an average speed of 321 miles per hour, and is the speediest bombing plane. The maximum speed of this plane is not known outside Italian military circles.

In the United States the Bellanca 28-90 Bee, a monoplane bomber, reaches a maximum speed of 280 miles per hour, although other details of its performance were not available. The Seversky P-35, a monoplane single-seater fighting craft, was rated at 300 miles per hour.

Great Britain's fastest bomber is the Fairy P4-34, which attains a maximum speed of 283 miles per hour.

The annual admitted that details of the various types of Soviet military planes were unknown. However, it estimated that the Soviet Union had 4,000 first-line fighting planes, with bombers capable of reaching 218 miles per hour and pursuit fighters 300 miles per hour.

It was estimated that during 1938 the United States produced 54 new types of commercial and military planes, Great Britain 56, Germany 45, France 21 and Italy 23.—United Press.

French Metal Workers To End Strike

Decision Expected to Have Effect on Other Strikes

St. Nazaire, Dec. 12.

Strikers in the metallurgical industry here decided at a meeting yesterday afternoon to return to work tomorrow.

The walkout, which has been in progress since the 24-hour general strike on November 30, stopped work on the new battleship Jean Bart and the liner Pasteur.

Originally, about 12,000 workers downed tools, but about half the number have since returned to work, ignoring their Union's orders.

Yesterday's decision came as a surprise, as until Saturday evening workers had decided to continue the strike unless important conditions were accepted, and these were refused by the employers.

The end of the dispute is expected here to have considerable effect on other strikes in view of the importance of the local Metal Workers' Union.—Reuter.

Berlin Bourse, Weekly Report

Berlin, Dec. 11.

During the past week the money market continued to be characterized by the transformation process by which on the one hand large amounts of ready money are made available through the maturity of first class short term investments such as sola bills, while on the other payments have to be made for the new Reichs loan and the quarterly taxation instalments. Another batch of delivery bonds moreover becomes due for redemption on December 20.

The present weakness of the share market is partly due to the disinclination of buyers to invest now when the prospect of cheaper purchases later on exist when Jewish securities are liquidated, and partly to the fact that the offer of shares to meet tax payments is not offset by the normal demand.

Fixed interest securities have not shown such a marked weakness as shares because there is always a demand from small savers. Nevertheless that decline of one point which most securities suffered in the last week indicates clearly the strength of the pressure which the bourse has to sustain from the envisaged realization of Jewish securities.

The following are the quotations of some leading German shares at the beginning and end of the week respectively:

Reichsbank	190.00	187.00
German Dye Trust	146.75	149.00
Salzdetfurth Potash	134.50	132.50
United Steel Works	105.00	103.25
Mannesmann	106.50	105.75
Harpener Mining	Unq.	134.25
German Mineral Oils	120.50	120.875
Continental Rubber	208.00	203.00
Siemens & Halske	192.50	191.00
General Electrics A.E.G.	115.75	113.00
Rhenish-Westphalian Power	117.00	117.25
Hamburg America Line	70.75	67.00
North German Lloyd	72.75	69.50
Bemberg Rayon	136.00	Unq.
Deutsche Bank	116.25	115.50
Deutsch-Asiatische Bank	571.00	Unq.
Young Loan	101.75	101.875

—Trans-Ocean.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Dec. 11.

The past week on the Bourse was marked by new, lively progress on French counters, but a slight drop in foreign stocks. Transactions were numerous, however, and this was taken to show the public's renewed interest in Bourse dealings.

The week was chiefly dominated by the internal situation, and when the Government obtained a vote of confidence in Parliament, it closed under best conditions on Friday.

Rentes gained one franc on an average. But some of them registered even greater gains. Foreign stocks such as those of the Suez Canal showed decreases. Suez shares lost 950 francs because of Italian claims for participation in the Canal's administration. Royal Dutch lost 150 francs. Others declined more moderately.

On the exchange market, the franc again bettered its position during the last two sessions of the week. Quotations on pounds sterling went from 177.80 to 177.37 and closed at 177.45. The gold dollar was brought down to 37.83 from 38.01. During this time the pound sterling ameliorated with regard to the gold dollar in the early part of the week, but it closed at 4.675 and the price of gold was established at 148/11 per ounce.—Havas.

Moscow Short of Food, Says Embassy Cook

Japanese Observers Tell Of Soviet Conditions

Kobe, Dec. 12.

European nations regarded as being of liberal tendency, other than the totalitarian states, are gradually lessening their contacts with the Soviet Union in the opinion of Maj.-Gen. Yukio Kasahara, who returned here yesterday in the N.Y.K. liner Hakusan Maru from an inpection tour of Europe.

The Soviet Union today lies outside of the sphere of European nations which regard her national strength as over-rated and not as strong as she seems to be on the surface, the Major-General said.

Heavy troop movements east of Lake Baikal were noted by Maj.-Gen. Kasahara who stated that there were continuous train loads of uniformed Russian soldiers being transferred to Far Eastern posts. The Major-General observed that there were 400,000 Soviet soldiers stationed in an area containing a population of 1,800,000.

Embassy Cook Gives News

Shortage of foodstuffs in the Soviet Union was reported by Mr. Ryoji Yanagawa, cook at the Moscow Japanese Embassy, who arrived in the same vessel with Major-Gen. Kasahara.

Meat and vegetables are so limited in supply that long lines are to be seen at markets every morning. Of those in the queues only the first 50 per cent. are fortunate enough to purchase their needs, according to Mr. Yanagawa. A scramble for the line starts as early as 5 o'clock in the morning, three hours before the opening of the markets at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Yanagawa disclosed that foodstuffs served at receptions for the diplomatic corps were easily obtainable through purchases made in Poland and Finland.—Domei.

Journal Repudiates Surrender Talk

Says China Would Be Slave Of Japanese

Chungking, Dec. 12.

Under the heading, "Peace of Surrender and Peace of Slavery," the Ta Kung Pao," an influential Chinese daily newspaper, in a leader today, declares:

"Since the Sino-Japanese hostilities were started, we have often heard the remark that we want 'peace with honour' and not 'peace in humiliation.'

"However, this is not a true picture of the situation since, today, even if we want a 'peace in humiliation,' we cannot get it.

"What Japan wants is a peace of surrender and slavery."

In conclusion, the paper urges the Chinese populace not to be misled by Japanese propaganda but to continue in their resistance, for "unless the Chinese resist to the end, there can never be a 'peace with honour' for China."—Reuter.

Japan's Emperor to Have War Museum

Pictures of Soldiers Killed In Action Collected

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Pictures of Japanese soldiers killed in action in China are to form the main feature of a war museum which the Emperor has decided to have built in the grounds of the Imperial Palace in Tokyo.

The Emperor, it is stated, is building the museum because of his desire "to commemorate the bravery of his officers and men who have fallen victims during the current Incident."

The museum, plans for which are now being prepared, will also house different types of weapons used by the Japanese forces in China.

"Other kinds of souvenirs"—presumably Chinese equipment taken as booty—will likewise be housed there.

The Imperial Household Department is asking the Ministries of War, Navy, Foreign Affairs and Overseas Affairs to collect pictures of Japan's war dead for the museum.—Reuter.

Travelling Passes for North China Planned

Peiping, Dec. 12.

The Peiping Police Bureau has made known, with the approval of the Municipality, a set of regulations concerning the issue of travelling visas.

These passes will be issued to facilitate identification of travellers. Seven days before starting, intending travellers must send in applications and give various particulars. A fee of 50 cents is charged for every pass.

Among the particulars to be given are name, address, profession and the purpose and time limit of intended trips. Should the movements of travellers be found not in keeping with those furnished in the particulars a fine of not less than $5 and not more than $15 will be imposed on offenders.—Reuter.

Provisional Government Anniversary

Peiping, Dec. 12.

The "Provisional Government" is making preparations for the holding of celebrations on December 14 on the occasion of the first anniversary of the founding of the Government, according to the Chinese press.

Separate celebrations will be held by the various Ministries under the government and provincial and municipal administrations. The Central Broadcasting Station has decided to broadcast on that day speeches and Chinese plays.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Dec. 12	Current Price 2.45 p.m.	9.45 a.m.
Antamok	.48	.49
Balatoc	9.80	9.80
Benguet Consolidated	12.80	12.90
Coco Grove	.46	.45
Consolidated Mines	.0035	.0035
Demonstration	.27	.27
Masbate	.20	.20
North Camarines	.64	.65
San Mauricio	1.72	1.70
Surigao Consolidated	.37	.37
United Paracale	.47	.47

Turnover: 180,000 pesos.
Share Index: 105.26 (closing prices).
—Reuter.

Japanese Premier Too Ill to Speak

Expected Statement on China Cancelled

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Prince Konoye, the Japanese Premier, who is suffering from influenza, will not issue a statement, according to Japanese press reports today.

It was previously reported that the Premier would make a statement early this week which would embody the radio speech which he had planned to deliver from Osaka last night but which was cancelled owing to his indisposition.

The Premier's broadcast, it is said was to have enunciated the Government's policy for the readjustment of Chinese-Japanese relations in connection with the building up of a new order in East Asia.—Reuter.

S.V.C. Routine Orders

By Colonel J. W. Hornby, M.C., Commanding, Shanghai Volunteer Corps.

Officers:—The following extracts from the Municipal Gazette dated Dec. 9, 1938, are published for information:—Officers' Commissions—Renewals:—The undermentioned Officers' Commissions are renewed under Art XI of Corps Regs.—Corps Headquarters.—Maj. H. S. Bartley Nov. 29, 1938. Corps Cavalry H.Q.—Maj. H. D. Rodger Nov. 8, 1938. American Troop.—Lieut. W. A. Adams Nov. 2, 1938. Japanese Company.—Lieut. K. Kubota Nov. 14, 1938. Philippine Company.—Lieut. G. E. Luchangco Nov. 15, 1938. Reserve of Officers "B."—Capt. W. J. Brown Nov. 8, 1938, Capt. V. J. B. Holland, M.C., Nov. 14, 1938, Lieut. P. F. J. Eardley Nov. 29, 1938.

Unit Command:—Lieutenant W. A. Adams assumes command of the American Troop with effect from Dec. 6, 1938, during the absent on leave of Captain N. F. Allman.

Weapon Training — Classification (Rifle):—The undermentioned have qualified on "30 yards Range":—"B" Company.—Pte. N. W. Morris, Pte. A. Perme, Boy. C. E. Wolnizer, Pte. R. Rudland, Pte. J. G. Bridger, Pte. J. Rickman, Pte. E. Lee, Pte. W. H. Harvey. Shanghai Scottish Company.—Pte. A. A. M. Rose, Pte. I. F. Aucott. Jewish Company.—Pte. A. G. Feldman II, Pte. A. Bor. Pte. A. E. Nahimoff, Pte. L. S. Sheyhot, Pte. I. R. Furman, Pte. J. A. Emihovich.

Strength:—(a) Increase:—The undermentioned are take non strength of the Corps and their units on dates shown:—Corps Troops:—Signals Company.—Sigmn. A. V. de Franck Dec. 8, 1938. Sigmn. E. Battistuzzi Dec. 8, 1938. Chinese Company.—Pte. T. M. Liu Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. C. Y. Lee Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. F. K. Tai Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. W. C. Pete Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. C. Y. Lee, Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. C. Y. Lee Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. Y. D. Shao Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. Y. C. Woo Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. S. C. Loh Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. S. H. Yau Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. P. K. Chiang Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. T. C. Tong Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. C. Y. Chang Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. T. Z. Vong Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. Z. T. Vong Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. M. T. Sung Dec. 5, 1938. Interpreter Company.—Pte. S. L. Li Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. J. Cheng Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. S. T. Woo Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. W. C. Tsao Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. S. S. Cheng Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. B. C. Doong Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. G. T. Mang Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. H. Y. Sung Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. K. P. Chang Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. Y. N. Woo Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. M. T. Koo Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. D. Y. Sung Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. Y. H. Tsiang Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. Z. T. Ho Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. T. H. Tsai Dec. 5, 1938, Pte. H. C. Zee Dec. 5, 1938. "A" Battalion:—Light Automatic (A.D.) Co.—Pte. G. E. Matthews "B" Cl. Res. (b) Decrease:—The undermentioned are taken off the strength of the Corps and their units on dates shown:—Corps Troops:—Transport Company.—Pte. E. G. Saul Dec. 3, 1938 Ill Health. "A" Battalion:—"A" Company.—L/Cpl. G. O. Saffery Dec. 9, 1938 Left Shanghai. Jewish Company.—Pte. V. Haenke Dec. 9, 1938 Left Shanghai. "B" Battalion:—Portuguese Company.—Cpl. G. E. Roliz (514) Dec. 9, 1938 Business Reasons.

Leave:—American Troop.—Captain N. F. Allman, from Dec. 12, 1938 to Dec. 31, 1938.

Rifle Shooting Match — T.M.C. (Results):—The following is the result of a match fired at the Rifle Range on Dec. 5, 1938, between the "B" Battalion S.V.C. and the 4th Regiment U.S. Marine Corps: "B" Battalion S.V.C. Points 1015. 4th Regiment U.S. Marine Corps Points 1007.

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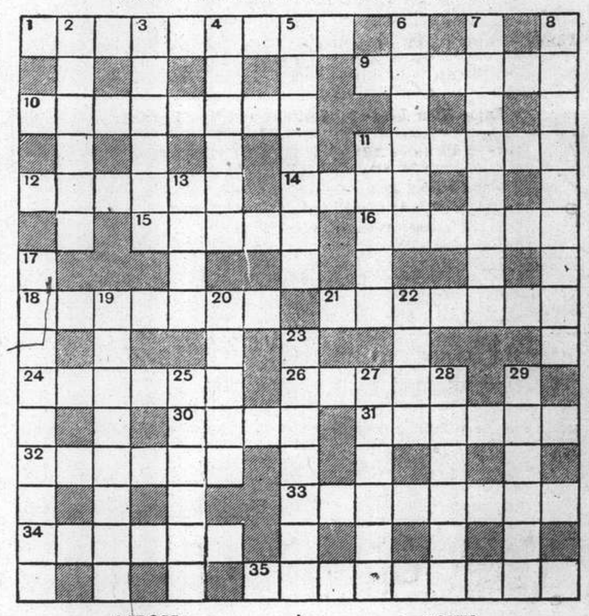

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1 The representative is not necessarily the assistant of a wheelwright
9 "Scorning the base ——s by which he did ascend" ("Julius Caesar")
10 Of more than one colour
11 Insect (sounds as if someone is insisting on its identity)
12 A sleep may be made to be agreeable
14 An old tip this
15 One form of verse
16 Lower
18 A bad-hearted drink this
21 Listen to half the score and cheer
24 This skilled worker could always buy a drink apparently
26 It is a shame if this part of a horse's harness is misplaced
30 This tree is used by builders
31 A sovereign remedy
32 Kind of fowl
33 No sweet-tempered person this
34 This sort of messenger is probably a brave man
35 Epithet for the service that may be returned (if possible?)

DOWN

2 This is associated with fine linen
3 One of the U.S.A.
4 The household utensil to save others perhaps
5 Town that suggests the call of a Cockney footpad
6 Treat in more than royal fashion
7 Suitable note for some ultramodern music
8 Raw material for the press suggests a fresh effort to win the race
11 Monday's dish perhaps
13 This comes from all quarters of the compass
17 Not a deer minus most of its coat but a source of ammonia
19 Far from pessimistic
20 Town of Italy
22 Early O.T. character
23 Part of London or China
25 In high spirits
27 Domestic
28 Bad description of 18 across obviously
29 Cloud-formation

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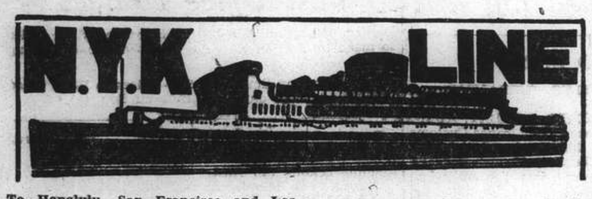

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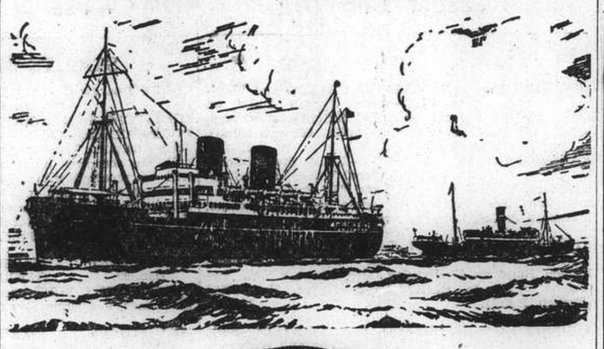

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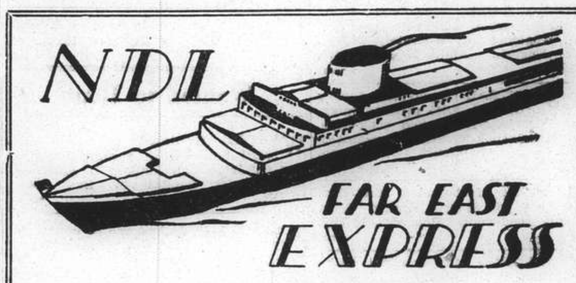

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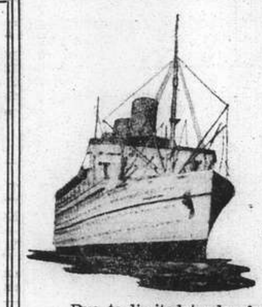

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HUNAN Dec. 14. HONGKONG.—Leaves on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 3 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 14-12

TAKSANG Dec. 15. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 8 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 15-12

TSINAN Dec. 15. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 14-12

KINGYUAN Dec. 16. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Friday, Dec. 16, at 7 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 15-12

KWAISANG Dec. 17. FOOCHOW, SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 16-12

TINGSANG Dec. 17. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Dev. 17. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 17-12

SUIYANG Dec. 18. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 9 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 18-12

LEESANG Dec. 20. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, Dec. 20. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 20-12

JAPAN

CHITRAL Dec. 13. KOBE and YOKOHAMA. — Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 13-12

AENEAS Dec. 14. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 14-12

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SCHARNHORST Dec. 13. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., General Agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 13-12

TEMERAIRE Dec. 16. CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID.—Motorvessel Temeraire of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about December 16, for the above-mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Company, Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 16-12

GLENAPP Dec. 17. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 17-12

BELLEROPHON Dec. 19. HAVRE, LIVERPOOL and BROMBOROUGH.—For freight apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 19-12

NORDMARK Dec. 19. ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG via PORTS.—(Captain C. Wullweber), on or about Dec. 19, 1938. For freight please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Shanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 19-12

Vessels Leaving

STRAITS AND EUROPE

CORFU Dec. 20. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 1.30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 20. Hand packages only will be accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage will be received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 19. Customs Permit required for nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 20-12

MAR. JOFFRE Dec. 22. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 22-12

MENESTHEUS Dec. 24. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 24-12

BANGALORE Dec. 27. BOMBAY, MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP and LONDON via HONGKONG, STRAITS and CEYLON.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., 27 The Bund. Tel. 11428. 27-12

NANKING Dec. 27. ALGIERS, ORAN, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, OSLO and GOTHENBURG.—The Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.'s m.s. Nanking will leave Shanghai on or about December 27, for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading to all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. Cargo for U.K. ports accepted on Optional Bs/L. For freight and passage please apply to the Ekman Foreign Agencies Ltd., Hamilton House, Foochow Road Entrance. Tel. 11330. 27-12

Vessels Discharging

GAZANA. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s chartered s.s. Gazana, from Karachi and Bombay.—This steamer is discharging Cargo at the Pootung Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Pootung Wharf on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. Agents. 13-12

TALMA. The British-India S. N. Co.'s s.s. Talma, from Calcutta and Ports. —This steamer is discharging Wax at the A.P.C. Lower Wharf and her general cargo will be landed at the Pootung Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Pootung Wharf on Friday, December 16, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. Agents. 13-12

MARECHAL JOFFRE. From Marseilles via Ports with Cargo ss. "Chateau Larose" and "Koutoubia" arrived on December 11, and is discharging her cargo at Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for exchange of Delivery Orders and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees and claims against this steamer must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Wednesday, December 14, 1938, at 9 a.m. at the Wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. No Insurance effected. Cie des Messageries Maritimes. 14-12

CHITRAL. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Chitral, from London and Ports. —This steamer is berthing at Nos. 12-13 Buoys and her cargo will be landed at the Pootung Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Cargo. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" will further be required to send their Representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such Cargo whilst it is being landed. Examination of ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Pootung Wharf on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. All Claims against this steamer must be sent in within fifteen days from date of Steamer's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risks of Fire etc. at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of the Cargo. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. Agents. 13-12

STEEL SEAFARER. The Isthmian Steamship Company's s.s. Steel Seafarer, from U.S.A. via Ports.—This steamer is now discharging her cargo (except Prohibited Articles and Dangerous Goods) into the godown of the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company's Pootung Wharf. Consignees of cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter signature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Consignees of bulk cargo are further requested to send their representative to the wharf to verify the weight of such cargo while it is being landed. All claims against this steamer must be sent in within 14 days from date of steamer's arrival or they will not be recognized. Ship damaged cargo will be examined only on December 15, 1938, Thursday commencing, at 9 a.m. in accordance with Customs Regulations governing same. All risk of fire at the godown and wharf to be borne by the Consignees. Isthmian Steamship Company. 13-12

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.

(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
TUESDAY, Dec. 13.				
Keelung H'kong (Y) Aust. (Y) N.Z. (Y) Indo-China (Y) and Straits (Y)	Suwa M.		*20.00	7.15
H'kong Aust. N.Z. Manila	Emp. Russia	Y	*20.00	7.30
Aust. N.Z. Manila S.S. India Suez Europe via Suez ..	Scharnhorst		7.15	9.00
Hongkong and Canton ...	Scharnhorst		8.30	9.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shuntien		8.30	10.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Shuntien		9.30	10.00
Swatow Hongkong Pakhoi Yunnan	Kwangtung		11.30	12.00
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Kwangtung		11.30	12.00
Wenchow	Mohlenhof		13.00	13.30
Kiangpei Offices east of Haian	Tejo		16.30	17.00
Wenchow	Dragao		18.30	19.00
Haimen Che.	Kondor		18.30	19.00
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Yingchow		19.30	20.00
Wenchow	Don Luis		19.30	20.00
Haimen Che.	Don Pedro		19.30	20.00
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 14.				
Haimen Che.	Santarem		12.00	12.30
Hongkong and Canton	Hunan		12.00	12.30
Tsingtao	Fausang		13.30	14.00
Nantung	Nantung M.		14.30	15.00
Haimen Che.	M. Margarida		19.30	20.00
Amoy and Hongkong	Tsinan		19.30	20.00
Swatow Hongkong Kwongchowwan Pakhoi Yunnan	Taksang		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Taksang		19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, Dec. 15.				
Chefoo and Tientsin	Fooshing	X	9.30	10.00
Tsinkiang Chuanchow	Shinkuang		12.30	13.00
Japan via Kobe	Taiyo M.		16.00	16.30
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kingyuan	A	—	—
Swatow Hongkong Kwongchowwan and Yunnan .	Kingyuan		19.30	20.00
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Kingyuan		19.30	20.00

* The night before.
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Next steamer mails will be closed as follow :—
ss. Scharnhorst, via Suez, December 13, due London January 8.
ss. Corfu, via Suez, December 20, due London January 21.
ss. Conte Biancamano, via Suez, Dec. 20, due London January 17.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Scharnhorst, at 9 a.m. on December 13, and due Bracciano, Italy on December 21, and London on December 22.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Menestheus, at 4 p.m. on Dec. 23, and due San Franscico on January 4.

Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Scharnhorst, at 9 a.m. on Dec. 13, and due Amsterdam on December 27, and London on December 28.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.

Air France (Hanoi-Marseilles) from Hongkong per available steamer to Hanoi every Saturday.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service :—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m. Mails for America may be sent to-day by air mail to Japan for connection with ss. Empress of Canada leaving Yokohama on December 16.

Domestic Air Mail

Air mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.

Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Yunho; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m.; for Kashing and Sunkiang close daily at 9 a.m.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Kiukiang per available steamer via Wenchow.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Haian via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.

Vessels Discharging

SILVERSANDAL. The mv. Silversandal, from United States and way ports.—The vessel is now discharging all her cargo (except Opium and Munition of War) at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. (Consignees of bulk cargo, will further be required to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed). All claims against this vessel must be sent within fourteen days from date of vessel's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risk of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of cargo. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Saturday, December 17, at 9 a.m., when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will attend. Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 15-12

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Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Kulmerland	Ger.	H.-A.L.
Shinai	Br.	G.L. Shaw
Kiangting	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Dollar	Am.	Parsons
Ave-Maria	Port.	Tung Lee
Tungwo	Br.	Jardine
Hansi	Ger.	G.F.E.
Haikong	Ger.	Keh Lee
Analock	Br.	N.Y.K.
Ondo M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
Tejo	Port.	I.C.R.N.
Heini	Ger.	Dah Yung
Chingning M	Jap.	N.K.K.
Hoten M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Hukuken M.	Jap.	O.S.K.
Tseangtah	Br.	Mow Tung
Tazima M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Daviken	Nor.	Melchers
E. of Canada	Br.	C.P.R.
Hsin Peking	Br.	B.&S.
Sydney M.	Jap.	O.S.K.
Sungshan M.	Jap.	N.K.K.

Passengers

The following are passengers who arrived in the ss. Chitral:—

Mr. H. Ashford, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Drew and infant, Mr. and Mrs. E. Jacob, Mr. W. B. McQuitty, Miss L. Perkins, Miss M. Robinson, Miss A. Sinclair, the Rev. and Mrs. H. Stonelake, Lady Stuart, Lady L. Dalton, Mr. F. Mansell, Mrs. M. Yorke, Mrs. Kao Wang Yuetsang, Mr. R. Kopelman, Mrs. M. Pash, Miss Brooksbank, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finch, Mrs. A. Honey and child, and amah, Miss B. Mount, Mrs. C. Crisler., H. Walter., J. Roberts.

Amongst those arriving in the Empress of Russia from Vancouver and other ports yesterday, were:

Mr. A. H. Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. J. Hart; Mr. E. W. Frazar; Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeil; Mr. R. J. Graciani; Mrs. M. Jarrell; Mrs. A. J. Israel; Mrs. Sassoon and three children; Mr. T. C. Malcolm; Mr. B. W. Robinson and Mr. N. O. Burgess.

Amongst those leaving in the Empress of Canada which sailed for Vancouver via Japan yesterday, were:

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. J. de Ridder; Mr. and Mrs. Sweetland; Mr. and Mrs. John R. Rehner, jun.; Mr. and Mrs. T. W. J. Dexter; Mr. and Mrs. H. Perlman; Mr. V. Franklin; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Scott and Mr. V. Franklin.

Amongst local passengers for Japan ports were the following:

Maj.-Gen. and Mrs. A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett; Sir Geroge Sansom; Mr. H. E. Middleton; Mr. G. J. McCarthy and Mr. C. W. Sherman.

Weather, Time and Tide

Tuesday, December 13, 1938 (22nd day of 10th moon)	SICCAWEI December 11 16.00	21.00	December 12 4.00	9.00	GUTZLAFF 9.00	14.00
Barometer inches	30.41	30.44	30.36	30.34	—	—
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.03	+0.03	—0.04	—0.13	—	—
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	+0.01	—0.03	—0.05	—0.10	—	—
Wind (direction)	NE	ENE	ENE	E	—	—
" (miles per hour)	11.8	13.1	5.0	11.2	—	—
Temperature (Fahr.)	52.°5	51.°3	51.°3	54.°0	—	—
Humidity %	71	76	85	84	—	—
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report December 11	Mean 1938	24 hours variation	Previous average same period (65 years)
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.43	—0.02	31.31
Temp. Min. 45.°3 Max. 57.°0	51.°2	+0.°6	44.°1
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	47.44	—	43.63

Date	13/12	14/12	15/12	16/12	17/12	18/12	19/12	20/12	21/12
Sun rises at Shanghai......	6.44	6.44	6.45	6.45	6.46	6.47	6.47	6.48	6.48
Sun sets at Shanghai	16.52	16.52	16.53	26.53	16.53	16.54	16.54	16.55	16.55
Moon rises at Shanghai	23.46	—	0.47	1.46	2.45	3.43	4.38	5.31	6.22
Moon sets at Shanghai	11.24	12.01	12.38	13.15	13.55	14.36	15.21	16.08	16.58
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18.00	14.35	15.47	17.05	5.48	7.05	7.50	8.22	8.47	9.15
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18.00	6.26	7.45	9.12	10.45	12.08	13.05	13.53	14.35	15.15
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18.00	16.43	17.39	6.20	7.46	8.52	9.45	10.34	11.18	11.45
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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
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Don Pedro	Haimen (Ch.)	C.A.S.S.
Chitral	Hongkong	Mackenzie
Suwa M.	Japan	N.Y.K.
Fausang	Tientsin	Jardine
Sydney M.	Anckland	O.S.K.
Yingchow	Hongkong	B.&S.
Ready Moller	Shupu	Mollers'
Talma	Hongkong	Mackenzie
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
E. of Russia	Japan	C.P.R.
Bennevis	Miike	Mollers'
Whangpu	Hsinkong	B.&S.
Wantung	Chitung	B.&S.
Hertha	Haimen	G.F.E.
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